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THE WEATHER.

Cloudy today; little change in temperature Tuesday; moderate North and northeast winds.

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THOUSANDS SHAKE PRESIDENT'S HAND

White House Reception the Most Brilliant in Years.

OVER 8,000 PEOPLE PRESENT

Rear Admiral William P. Potter Injured by a Fall as He Started to the Reception—Mr. Knox's Reception.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The greatest throng that has passed the portals of the White House at any New Year reception of recent years, greeted President and Mrs. Taft today at the third public reception given by them since entering the executive mansion. When the long line had passed, the official "counter" said that 8,092 diplomats, officials and citizens had shaken hands with the President. At last year's reception the official count showed that about 5,500 visitors were received.

Mrs. Taft remained in the receiving line for an hour and 40 minutes. From the moment when the first of the diplomatic corps was received shortly after 11 o'clock, the line moved continuously through the White House for more than three hours, its reserves stretching for blocks around the White House grounds.

The day was overcast and threatening, but a decided improvement over the snow and rain that prevailed a year ago and in 1910.

President and Mrs. Taft stood in the blue room, surrounded by the members and ladies of the cabinet. It was just 11 o'clock when they descended from the upper floors with the marine band playing the "Star Spangled Banner."

Military and naval aides were scattered about the White House in profusion. The diplomatic corps already had assembled in the State dining room when the President and Mrs. Taft took their place. All of the foreign representatives were in court costume and they inaugurated the reception with the usual brilliance of coloring.

Following the diplomats, the President received the Supreme Court and other Federal judges, government officials of all ranks, senators and representatives, officers of the army and navy, and various patriotic societies. Last in the line, according to custom, came the private citizens.

Three new ambassadors were among the diplomats. Both Baron Hengelmuller, ambassador from Austro-Hungary, dean of the diplomatic corps, and the French ambassador, M. Jusserand, second in rank, were absent, and the first place in line fell to the British ambassador, Mr. Bryce. Japan also was unrepresented by an ambassador, but with these exceptions the Nations which maintain embassies here took their accustomed places. The three new faces in the line of ambassadors were those of George Bakhmeteff, of Russia; Senor Crespo Martinez, of Mexico, and Domicio da Gama, of Brazil.

Most of the ministers accredited to the United States were in town, but in some instances their countries were represented by the legation staffs. Senor Calvo, minister from Costa Rica, has long held the place of honor as dean of the ministers.

Admiral Dewey was a center of interest as usual when the naval contingent reached the White House. Lieut. General Nelson A. Miles also attracted attention. Both he and Admiral Dewey have attended the New Year's receptions for many years.

Rear Admiral William P. Potter was injured by a fall on the steps of the Navy Department building, as he started to the reception. It was first reported that he was seriously injured, but at the naval dispensary, where he was taken by a fellow officer, it was found that he had suffered a broken nose. Admiral Potter tripped at the head of a flight of stone steps and fell against a railing.

A breakfast to the diplomats, given by Secretary of State and Mrs. Knox, in the building of the Pan-American Union, shortly after noon, was a brilliant display of the usual custom. This year marked a departure from precedents, in that the reception took place outside the home of the Secretary of State.

Secretary and Mrs. Knox were aided in receiving the members of the diplomatic corps by the assistant secretaries of states, and members of the foreign affairs committee of the Senate and House, with their wives and daughters.

STRIKE IN ATLANTA

Weavers and Loom Fixers Demand Sixty Hour Week

Atlanta, Ga., January 1.—As a result of the establishment today of the 60-hour per week enacted by the Legislature, about 150 weavers, loom fixers and other employes went on strike at the Exposition mills here. The men had previously been working 66 hours per week and objected to a cut in wages corresponding to the cut in hours.

Company officials in a statement declared that "commercial and economic conditions" made it impossible to pay as much for sixty hour's work as was paid for sixty-six hours.

It is declared the mills will not be forced to close down by the strikes.

BELIEVES IN ARBITRATION

President Fallieres, of France, Thinks Well of Taft's Efforts to Secure Ratification of International Treaties

Paris, January 1.—President Taft's efforts to secure the ratification of the International treaties with France and Great Britain was the special theme of an official speech made today by President Fallieres, at the New Year's reception to the diplomatic corps at the Elysee Palace. There was a large attendance of diplomats at the function, among them being Robert Bacon, the American ambassador.

Sir Francis L. Bertie, the British ambassador and dean of the diplomatic corps, presented to the French executive the New Year's felicitations of the foreign representatives. He prophesied that the initiative of the President of the United States in favor of the extension of arbitration of International questions would be productive of larger results during the coming year.

Responding, President Fallieres assured the diplomats that France would labor always in behalf of progress. France, he said, already could with modesty, claim her part in the initiatives that have been taken, and from which civilization is reaping benefits.

"Like you, Mr. Ambassador," the President continued, "we congratulate ourselves that we have seen during the past year the President of the United States give his precious adhesion to the principle of arbitration. It may be repeated that the application of this principle will determine for men and things a decisive method for the pacific solution of International differences.

WILL BE TOLD LOSS

British Steamer Thistleroy Aground Cannot Be Sold

Beaufort, N. C., Jan. 1.—Efforts to save the British steamer Thistleroy, aground on Lookout shoals, have been unsuccessful, and the vessel probably will be a total loss. After a hard battle with a heavy sea, twelve members of the crew were picked up from a disabled motor life saving boat sent out from the Cape Lookout station, the revenue cutter Itasca sending out a crew in an open life boat to rescue them.

Aided by the tug Murritt, the steamer Rescue and the power schooner Pilgrim, an attempt was made today to pull off the Thistleroy. She was moved twice her length, but the heavy sea put an end to further efforts. When it became apparent the ship would have to be abandoned, the master's wife and the remainder of the crew were taken from the ship by the Itasca and brought to the cape station.

Master Ferguson has refused to leave the ship, and is aiding the wreckers in the effort to save 8,000 bales of cotton, shipped from Galveston for Liverpool. The Thistleroy left Galveston December 21st.

Capt. W. A. Sanders, of the tug Blanche, returned yesterday morning to Wilmington from the scene of the stranding of the Thistleroy, and reports were made during the day by telegraph to Messrs. Heide & Co., agents of the ship in this city. Capt. Sanders thinks the steamer will be a total loss with cargo of cotton and about 3,500 tons of phosphate rock taken on at Tampa, Fla., after receiving cotton at Galveston. Capt. Sanders offered the assistance of the Blanche and had partially arranged with the master for a line, but finally offers of assistance were refused and the consequences were as related.

OWNERSHIP OF REALTY

Returns on 80,000 Negroes in State of Pennsylvania

Harrisburg, Pa., January 1.—Details of the ownership of realty in this State by negroes is presented for the first time in the annual report of Chief John L. Rockey, of the State Bureau of Industrial Statistics, which states that colored men and women and organizations have title to realty estate in Pennsylvania valued at $20,000,000 and assessed at $[illegible],000,000, in Philadelphia negroes own 1,106 parcels of real estate subject to taxation, having an assessed value of $2,801,275. In Pittsburg they own 643, assessable properties, with an assessed value of $1,437,060 and a market value of $2,153,000. In other cities the value of their property is from $35,000 to $150,000.

The report shows returns on 80,000 negroes who are earning livelihoods, among the classifications being: Domestic service 69.4 per cent.; manufacturing 12.9; transportation 11.6; agriculture 4.6, and professional service 1.5. Eleven building associations are conducted by colored people.

The churches owned by colored people in the State number 359, valued at $3,160,267.

MR. UNDERWOOD BETTER.

All Danger of Appendicitis Has Passed Away.

Washington, Jan. 1—Representative Underwood, of Alabama, Democratic leader of the House, was able to leave his room today for the first time since Friday. All danger of appendicitis has passed, it is understood.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Edmund L. Lamy, former amateur skating champion, covered 100 yards on the lake today in nine seconds flat from a standing start in an exhibition trial. The record has been 9 3-5 seconds, held by Morris W. Wood, an amateur.

GIVE THE PEOPLE A CHANCE TO RULE

LaFollette Declared 100 Men Control Country's Entire Business.

MADE SPEECHES IN MICHIGAN

Declared That the Dingley Law Paved the Way for the Great Trusts of Today—Revision is Needed.

Saginaw, Mich., Jan. 1.—After speaking at Flint and Bay City during the day, Senator Robert M. LaFollette wound up his first day's campaign in Michigan in the interest of his "progressive" candidacy for the Republican nomination for President with an address at the Masonic Temple here tonight. He discussed the trusts and their relation to the tariff, the money trust as the climax of all, and the necessity of returning the government, as he said, to the hands of the people. He asked the support of all, Republicans and Democrats alike, in doing this.

The Dingley tariff law, he said, by raising the tariff high enough to eliminate foreign competition, opened the way for the trusts. In describing their rapid growth since 1897, when the Dingley law was passed, the Senator said trust capitalization had increased "over 54 per cent. during the four years of the preceding administration, despite the fact that a number of prosecutions had been begun. By that time they had become so strong that they defied prosecution."

"Alexander Hamilton, Henry Clay, and William McKinley," said Senator LaFollette, "would never have spoken of the tariff as they did if there had been no competition. The standpatter today is the worst enemy of the protective system." He declared that a few men in Wall Street, who have no politics, but who are interested only in business, control the affairs of the country, and that the big problem now is to return control to the people.

"If I did not believe the Republican party was the best instrument for getting control into the hands of the people" he said, "I would leave it. If I believed the Democratic party was a better instrument I would join it. If I thought a new party would be more effective, I would form one. But I think the Republican party is the best instrument there is.

"There is quite a progressive sentiment all through the North. I don't know of any progressive sentiment or any progressive legislation in the South and the strength of the Democratic party is in the South. If the sentiment of the Democrats of the South were the same as that of the Democrats of the North, I think it would be as good an instrument as the Republican party.

"A true American believes in democracy. He believes men and women are equal and entitled to an equal chance. But the Democratic party of the South is not by inheritance that sort of organization. All the strength of the party in the South is the aristocracy. The Southern Democrat despises, alike, the poor white and the negro, and that is not the sentiment that makes for popular government."

Senator LaFollette spent the night in Saginaw. Tomorrow he is scheduled to speak at Owesso, Lansing and Grand Rapids.

"Interests a Great Peril."

Bay City, Mich., Jan. 1—Senator LaFollette addressed a large and ethusiastic audience in the National Guard armory here this afternoon.

The Senator defied the progressive movement as standing for a representative government, direct nomination of all officers, from the smallest to the largest, direct election of United States senators, and for the initiative, referendum and recall.

"The enormous interests of the country," said the Senator, "are a great peril. The vast interests are welded together with powerful strength. The large inflated capital of billions of dollars means ruin to the country in time of depression. Woe unto the honest business enterprises of the country in time of a real storm. The serious penalties cannot be averted.

"What the country needs is a revision of tariff, a new standard. The tariff should be based on the difference in the cost of production between this country and abroad. The tariff now is upon the cost of production plus the enormous profits of the trusts. The government takes the word of the manufacturer."

The speaker declared that the entire business interests of the country are today controlled by a mere handful of men—less than 100—who have the power to dictate prices, both purchasing and selling.

He made no reference either to President Taft or to Col. Roosevelt, or to his candidacy for the Presidency.

WOLGAST ILL AGAIN.

Michigan "Wildcat" is Threatened With Pneumonia.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 1.—Ad Wolgast, lightweight champion pugilist of the world, is seriously ill at the home of his manager, Tom Jones, at Venice, being threatened with pneumonia. He contracted a serious cold on an automobile trip, which is believed to have settled on his lungs.

DID SHE MURDER ALL FOUR

Murder of Policeman Fred Wasserlain Formed Fourth Sudden Death in Mrs. Godau's Family—Carried Insurance.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1.—After an inquest over the body of Frederick Wasserlaben, who was shot to death in his home Saturday, the coroner's jury today rendered a verdict that his death was due to gunshot wounds in the head, received at the hands of Mary T. Godau, his mother-in-law. It was also recommended that Wasserlaben's wife and brother-in-law, William Green, be held as accomplices.

At the inquest Mrs. Godau testified that she shot Wasserlaben while he was in bed, because he invited her to kill him after he had offered her insult. She declared she dressed the body and dragged it down stairs, hiding it in the darkness on the front porch in order that her children might not know of the deed. Later, she said, she conveyed the corpse to a pond where it was found Sunday morning. She wanted to make it appear, she said, that the murder was committed by thugs.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1.—That the murder of Patrolman Fred Wasserlaben by his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary T. Godau, according to the woman's confession, formed the fourth sudden death in Mrs. Godau's family, became known here this afternoon.

Charles Stein, the first husband of Mrs. Godau, was shot and killed in a field on his farm, supposedly by night marauders. He carried several thousand life insurance.

The second husband, William Green, disappeared from home and was never heard from again.

Mrs. Godau was arrested for the murder of her last husband, William Godau, who was found dead in September, 1902, near his chicken house.

Mrs. Godau tried to fasten the crime on a negro. The woman was acquitted. Her husband was insured for $3,000 and she got this money after a legal fight, a detective being sent here from Omaha, Neb., the headquarters of the Woodmen of the World, to investigate.

Policeman Wasserlaben carried insurance to the amount of $7,000.

STEAMER ALPHA STRANDED.

Within 100 Feet of Atlantic City Board Walk.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 1—The freight steamer Alpha, from Philadelphia, which struck a bar in the inlet here yesterday afternoon, is high and dry on the beach within a hundred feet of the board walk tonight. No attempt can be made to float the vessel until high tide tomorrow. During the day she was lightered of the major portion of her cargo to save it from the water which had started to leak into the hold. The pumps had been working constantly all day, until under the pressure of the wind, waves and tide she was forced from the position where she first struck, a half mile off Rhode Island avenue to the beach, where the receding tide left her stranded.

SCHOONER WRECKED.

Unknown Derelict in Path of Trans-Atlantic Liners.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 1.—A 200-ton schooner, bottom up, is bobbing about in the path of the trans-Atlantic liners off the Nova Scotia coast, resulting in a menace. The wreck was reported by the steamer Rhodesian, which came in late, herself badly battered by storms.

The Rhodesian ran close to the derelict, but was unable to get its name as the stern of the craft was low in the water. The position at the time was latitude 42.07 north, longitude 66.16 west.

ON NEW SCHEDULE.

Textile Mills in Massachusetts Run 54 Hours a Week Now.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 1.—Every textile mill in Massachusetts running on full time today went on a schedule of 54 hours a week in compliance with the new State law, which compels all textile plants employing women and children to run the machinery no longer than that number of hours weekly. Massachusetts is the second State to adopt such a law, California having led the way. The old schedule was 58 hours weekly.

OUTLINES.

Over 8,000 people attended the annual White House reception yesterday and it was the most brilliant one held in years——The loom fixers of Lowell, Mass., demanded an increase in wages of 10 per cent., and 20,000 cotton operatives may be involved——Gov. Eugene N. Foss was endorsed yesterday by the Democratic convention of Massachusetts for the Democratic nomination for President of the United States——The Progressive Republicans of Ohio met in Columbus yesterday and formed a permanent organization. Contrary to expectation, they failed to endorse Robert M. LaFollette for the Presidency of the United States——The United States may possibly intervene in Panama if conditions demand intervention——Several government officials will testify before the House investigating committee in regard to some of the trusts.——President Fallieres, of France, in a speech declared he thought well of President Taft's efforts towards the ratification of the International treaties.—— Fighting was renewed in China, an attack being made on the city of Haukow Sunday afternoon. The Imperial princes refuse to give money to the government cause as they deem it hopeless—— Senator LaFollette spoke in Michigan and declared that the control of affairs should be returned to the people.

NO ENDORSEMENT FOR LAFOLLETTE

Progressive Republicans of Ohio Form Permanent Organization.

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

A Resolution to Promise Support to No Candidate Recommended by Committee on Resolutions. Roosevelt's Friends.

Columbus, O., Jan. 1.—Progressive Republicans of Ohio met today; formed a permanent organization; adopted a declaration of progressive principles but voted 52 to 32 not to give their endorsement to United States Senator Robert M. LaFollette as a candidate for the Presidential nomination.

After refusing the endorsement of the league, the delegates voted 81 to 11 in favor of a resolution as a personal expression of the delegates naming Senator LaFollette as "the living embodiment of the principles of the progressive movement and the logical candidate to carry them to successful fruition."

The vote came after a three hours' debate on the floor of the convention and was on the adoption of an amendment to the report of the resolutions' committee which had been unanimously in favor of not naming a candidate.

Gifford Pinchot, who declared that he spoke only for himself, and in no way for Col. Roosevelt, and former Secretary of the Interior Garfield, were the leaders in the debate against giving any candidate an endorsement. Senator Works, of California, and later Senator Clapp, of Minnesota, were equally vigorous in urging that the Ohio Progressives concentrate their efforts in working for the election of Senator LaFollette. Nearly every delegate expressed himself repeatedly in the debate.

John D. Hackler, temporary chairman of the Ohio delegation, who presided at today's conference, was elected president of the permanent organization. C. F. Brotherton, of Ashtabula, was vice president and T. H. Brown, of Columbus, secretary.

A declaration of principles adopted unanimously was substantially the one proposed by a committee appointed at a meeting of Progressives of the Western Reserve. On the question of National policies it followed the line of the platform adopted by the progressive conference in Chicago.

It declared for a substantial and equitable revision of the tariff schedule by schedule, "preserving the protective tariff principle, the measure of which shall be the difference in wages and raw material at home and abroad." To this end, a non-partisan tariff board, with full power to compel testimony and to report to Congress was advocated.

A revision of the Sherman law was suggested in the second paragraph: "For the cure of corporate and trust evils we favor legislation that shall effectively regulate and control in the public interests, the great instrumentalities of modern business; such legislation clearly to define and provide against recognized wrongs such as the exploitation of humanity for profit, stock watering, organizing companies without substantial assets, agreements to control production, market prices and the like; all designed to protect the honest and punish by imprisonment the dishonest business men."

Other planks of the platform declared for popular election of United States Senators, the Pinchot-Roosevelt conservation policy, a National income tax graduated upward and the abolition of needless public positions.

The first difference of opinion arose when an added resolution to promise support to no candidate was recommended by the committee on resolutions. The committee of 19 members had entered their deliberations most of them declared, heartily in favor of expressing themselves for Robert M. LaFollette. The opinions had been changed after they had heard addresses by Pinchot and Hackler.

The resolution was reported just after Senator Works had made an address urging the delegates to follow the example of California and to centralize their campaigning for one man.

"Col. Roosevelt should have declared himself," he said, "if he should declare himself I would not hesitate to support him and neither would Senator LaFollette. LaFollette has made the principles for which he stands an issue. California has endorsed him and I feel that an attempt to evade would have been cowardly."

The committee report came at the end of Senator Works' speech and was followed immediately by Mr. Pinchot, who defended the resolution. "If we declare for a single candidate," he warned, "we run the risk of going to Chicago to find Progressive delegates from different communities morally bound to support a half dozen different candidates."

Senator Clapp, in urging that the Wisconsin Senator be endorsed, argued in favor of concentrating fire as much as possible.

The plan of organization of the new permanent league is much the same as that of other political organizations now established.

Delegates will be chosen from each county. Each Congressional district will have the same representation in the State committee as it now has in the Republican State central committee. Members of the committee will be subject to the recall advocated in the platform, and will be subject to retirement on vote of a petition originated by 30 county leagues.

GIVE THEIR VIEWS ON TRUSTS

Several Government Officials Will Appear Before the House Rules Committee in the Proposed Congressional Investigations Soon.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Attorney General Wickersham, Secretary Nagel and Samuel Untermyer, of New York, have been asked to appear before the House Rules Committee, January 15th, and give their views upon the proposed Congressional investigations of the International Harvester Company, the so-called money trust and the trans-Atlantic Shipping combine.

From Attorney General Wickersham Chairman Henry hopes to learn the status of the negotiations now pending between the Department of Justice and the Harvester Company for the dissolution of the latter, and also what preparations have been made for the prosecution, already begun, of the Shipping "trust."

Whether the investigations will be carried on by a select committee or by regular House committees probably will be determined in the Democratic caucus. Chairman Henry favors a select committee of seven members.

If it investigates the Shipping combine, the committee intends to pay particular attention to the alleged Shipping trust between United States and South American ports, and South American merchants and financiers will be invited to testify.

FIGHTING IN ECUADOR.

Provisional Government Proclaimed by Gen. Montero Recognized.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Jan. 1.—The coast provinces of Ecuador have recognized the provisional government proclaimed at Guayaquil by Gen. Pedro Montero, December 28th, six days after the sudden death of President Emelio Estrada. Serious fighting has taken place at two of the western provincial cities. Communication with Quito, the capital of the Republic, and with other parts of the interior, is interrupted.

In a battle fought at Babahoyo, capital of the province of Los Rios, Gen. Montero's force was victorious. In this engagement 24 men were killed and 14 others wounded.

Another fight occurred at Machala, capital of El Oro province, but the result of this clash is not yet known here. It is rumored that Gen. Leonidas Plaza, who is supported by the Liberals for the Presidency, has left Quito at the head of a large army with the intention of attacking Guayaquil. New regiments are being formed here to oppose him. Railway traffic between the two cities has been suspended.

U. S. MAY INTERVENE.

Resignation of Minister May Precipitate Crisis in Panama.

Washington, Jan. 1.—There is apprehension in Latin-American circles here that the hasty resignation of Frederick Boyd, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Panama, may precipitate a crisis in that republic. The electoral contest between the Conservative party, headed by President Aresmena, and the Liberals, under the lead of Bellisario Porras, lately minister to Washington, is growing bitter and much ill feeling has developed.

So far there has been nothing to warrant the intervention of the United States, but as under the treaty between America and Panama, a constitutional form of government must be maintained in the republic, strong representations probably would be made to the leaders of the factions if it should appear that any measures have been adopted which threaten to prevent a free and fair Presidential election.

DEMAND ADVANCE IN WAGES.

20,000 Cotton Operatives May be Involved.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 1.—A demand for an advance in wages of 10 per cent. made by the loom fixers of the city, created a situation today which may involve 20,000 cotton operatives here.

While the demand is made only by the loom fixers, three hundred in number, it is equivalent to asking for increases for 19,000 operatives, since an increase cannot be given to them without it applying to all. The mill agents have expressed a willingness to discuss the matter, but it is said the present condition of the cotton industry would not warrant an increase.

GOVERNMENT FORCES DEFEATED

Threatens to Demolish Imperial Bank Building at Kermansah.

Kermansah, Persia, Jan. 1.—Salar Edowleh, the brother of the ex-Shah, has defeated the government forces under Azam Ed Dowleh, who has taken refuge in the British consulate here.

A special dispatch from Teheran Sunday night said that Salar Ed Dowleh had telegraphed the government that unless the $80,000 belonging to him and confiscated by Treasurer General Shuster, was returned, he would demolish the Imperial bank building at Kermanshah.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 1.—Fought in ten fast rounds, the bout between Ray Bronson, of Indianapolis, and Tommy Devlin, of Philadelphia, today ended in a draw. Bronson was the aggressor throughout, although in the third and fifth rounds Devlin led the way to fast mix-ups.

CITY OF HANKOW ATTACKED SUNDAY

Fighting Between the Revolutionists and Imperialists Renewed Yesterday.

IMPERIALISTS ARE DELIGHTED

Imperialist Army of 30,000 Occupies Hankow—Imperial Princes Believe That the Government's Cause is Hopeless

Hankow, China, January 1.—Fighting between the revolutionists and the imperialists, which was begun Sunday evening, was renewed this morning by the Republicans twenty miles up the river who had not yet received notice of the promulgation of an armistice. The Republican commander, ordered the fighting to cease, but a desultory gun fire was heard throughout the day.

Severe Fighting

Peking, January 1.—An army of 4,000 revolutionaries attacked the city of Hankow yesterday afternoon. An Imperialist army, estimated to number thirty thousand, occupies the city. Fierce fighting is now in progress.

According to reports current in government circles the leaders of the Imperialists are delighted at the outbreak of hostilities, as this will give them an opportunity of avoiding the result of the National convention agreed to by the edict of the Imperial court and by the representatives of the parties to the peace conference at Shanghai. By the terms of the agreement delegates from all the provinces of China are to meet to decide the future form of government for China, and the Imperialists are of the opinion that the National convention is likely to culminate in the victory of the Republican party.

Hankow was the scene of severe fighting between the two armies on several occasions before the recent armistice was decided upon.

Much depends upon whether the fighting near Hankow was authorized by the Republicans, and whether it will be followed up by the Republicans or Imperialists. The Associated Press is informed that the news of the attack was welcomed by Yuan Shi Kai, who will now await the issue of the battle. If the Imperialists are victorious it will give the throne a brief lease of life, while a reverse to the Imperial army, it is believed, would precipitate the abdication of the Emperor.

It is said that the reason why the Imperial Princes have refrained from donating large sums of money to aid the government is that they feel the government's cause is a hopeless one and also because some of them seriously distrust Yuan Shi Kai.

Premier Wants Princes' Wealth.

Paris, Jan. 1.—A special dispatch to the Paris edition of the New York Herald from its Peking correspondent says that Yuan Shi Kai, the Premier, tomorrow will present to the throne a signed demand of all the commanders of the Northern army, that the wealth of the princes and nobles shall be commandeered for a continuance of the war. The memorial insists that unless the princes contribute they shall be treated as traitors.

Chinatown Celebrates Republic.

New York, Jan. 1.—A celebration of the establishment of the Chinese Republic, coincident with the inauguration of its first President, was held in Chinatown tonight. Hundreds of Chinese rushed to their barbers early in the day and had their queues cut away, severing, as they said, the last symbol of Manchu rule. At noon when 3,000 Chinamen gathered for the celebration, not a queue was seen.

Many of the Chinamen also shook off their sandals, and in heavy American shoes, climbed the stairs of the old Joss house in Mott street, which was re-christened "The Chinese Public Hall", and gravely bowed before a large portrait of the new President, Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

The hoisting of an enormous flag of the new Republic on top of the old Joss house was the signal for cheering which would have done credit to any American football crowd. "Chung hua, chung hua, hoola, hoola! Vivela, vivela, Chun, chun, chun!" fairly shook the old walls of the Chinatown district.

Chinese Emperor Flees

London, January 1.—The Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says that news received there from Manchuria reports the secret flight of the Emperor and the Dowager Empres of China through Mukden on the way to the imperial residence at Sehikhe, near the Mongolian frontier.

The correspondent adds that it is rumored the Russian government intends to refrain from any interference in China, but is ready to recognize a republic when it is firmly established.

The Peking correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, describes Yuan Shi Kai as being confronted with difficulties. He says Yuan is suspected by the Manchus of playing double. He has not been shaved for days and does not sleep. He is being attacked and betrayed in every quarter, according to the correspondent, but still is holding his own courageously, like a lion at bay.

..Theatrical..

The Four Pickerts and their strong company, Wilmington's favorite popular price attraction, are back at the Academy. They opened their annual engagement yesterday with two rousing performances played before capacity houses.

In honor of the New Year a special matinee was given, when a bright and exceedingly clever comedy, "Out on a Lark," was presented. Last night an audience that literally packed the theatre, making up the record breaking attendance for a popular price performance, enjoyed a fine presentation of "The Pride of Virginia," a play that was entirely new to this city, and therefore exceedingly refreshing. However, the Pickerts have all new bills this seaso. The cast last night did splendid work. The leads were in the hands of Misses Blanche and Lillian Pickert and Mr. Val C. Cleary, and they did some superb work. Miss Grace Pickert and Mr. Clint Dobson, two old favorites, also did some good work, although their parts were not especially prominent. Mr. Matt Bradley handled the "heavy" in admirable manner. The specialties are the very best the Pickerts have even presented. The musical act offered by Wilcox, xylophone artist, was really a brilliant number. The others acts, including a big one by the popular Pickerts, were topliners. Tonight the company is to offer one of its feature bills, in "At Fort Reno." It's a new military play, one of fire and yet with fine comedy. Also tonight ladies will be admitted free under the usual conditions and seats for tonight can now be purchased at Plummer's. The company will be seen at matinee tomorrow afternoon, when the prices will be 10 and 20 cents. For night the scale is 10, 20 and 30 cents.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch."

"We've seed a good time for onct in our lives," cried Asia Wiggs to her mother, still dazed by the light and color of the play-house as they returned to the cabbage patch after their first visit to the theatre. So, too, everyone sees a good time—perhaps the best the current stage has to offer—who goes to see "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," which comes to the Academy next Monday night, January 8th. Here is a play made by Mrs. Ane Crawford Flexner from the stories of her friend and neighbor, Mrs. Alice Hegan Rice, which renders Mrs. Wiggs, Lovey Mary, Little Tommy and the children—Asia, Europena, and Australia—doubly dear to those who learned to love them in the cheery books, and adds new and abiding types to the minds of all who appreciate the best in dramatic art. Mis' Hazy, the gloomy spinster, who sees life through smoked glasses, and Mr. Stubbins, shiftless and ne'er-do-well, but a connoisseur in home cooking, emerge in the play more comical than in their original environment. The sale of seats will open at Plummer's Saturday.

At The Grand Today.

The feature at the Grand Theatre today will be the Vitagraph monthly of current events. So many world important events have taken place during the last month that a great deal of judgment had to be exercised in the compilation of this picture. The views include those of the Austin flood, a comprehensive view of Admiral Schley's funeral with both military and naval attaches escorting the body to Arlington cemetery. Another feature will be a picture of transporting the world's largest girder, weighing 150,000 pounds from the Pennsylvania railroad wharf to the world's biggest skyscraper. The mobilization of United States warships and the maneuvers and doings of the fleet in the harbor will be graphically pictured. Particular interest will attach to the boy scouts in their drills and exhibitions and the athletic games at Columbus park will also be decidedly interesting. "The American Insurrecto" is another film that tells a story of the recent Mexican revolution, and will be found quite exciting and appealing to the patriotism of all.

The crowds yesterday were simply great and New Year's greetings were frequent in the pretty little theatre. In addition to the moving picture films at this delightful retreat, Mr. Morgan always sings something late and in that charming style of his that has won him a host of friends and admirers in this city. There is no better New Year resolution just now than to attend as many of the shows as possible at the Grand Theatre during the coming year.

At The Bijou

In spite of the decidedly disagreeable weather of yesterday and heavy counter attractions, The Bijou sustained its reputation as being a magnetic spot. It played to fine business during the day which attested much as to its popularity and also to the fact that it is understood that The Bijou can make folks comfortable no matter the condition of the weather It was a great New Year's bill The Bijou served up, too, and immensely delighted every one. The bill was bright and jolly and made The Bijou have a big celebration of the happy New Year. It also made a fitting inauguration of the year that will hold some big things for The Bijou and its army of devotees, because 1912 is going to witness the erection of the handsome and costly new Bijou theatre on the present site of the old one Even though the merry Yuletide has gone The Bijou will keep up its holiday pace and its gala spirit and will today present one of the very best and snappiest bills it has ever given. Comedy will play a swell part, although the programme will be fine in every way, variety being splendid, while the musical number will all be new and delicious. A comfortable Bijou is, of course, asured.

Why Is Sugar Sweet?

If sugar did not dissolve in the mouth you could not taste the sweet, GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC is as strong as the strongest bitter tonic, but you do not taste the bitter because the ingredients do not dissolve in the mouth but do dissolve in the acids of the stomach. Is just as good for Grown People as for children. The First and Original Tasteless Chill Tonic The Standard for 20 years. 50.

Ladies and Gents.

Solid gold, gold filled and silver watches one of my specialties. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler. de 3-tf.

BIG NEW YEAR'S DAY COURT

Forty-three Cases Were Disposed of by the Recorder Yesterday Morning—Large Number of Gamblers Fined.

The new year started off with a rush so far as the Recorder's court is concerned, there being 43 cases to be heard at the session yesterday morning, the docket rivaling, though not equalling, that of the morning after Christmas Day, when there was an accumulation of cases covering a perlod of three days. Gambling was the charge against a majority of the defendants in the court yesterday and all were colored. In fact, all the defendants at yesterday's session were colored except one man, who was charged with drunkenness. The session lasted for about three hours.

The following negroes were required to pay $5 each and costs for gambling: Dudley Brinkley, Chas. Nixon, Rufus Howe, Dave Evans, Seman Brown, Alex. Brown, Roy Jackson, Wm. Johnson, Mitchell Davis, Theodore Evans, Chas. Sampson, Robt. Stephenson, Wm. Brown, G. W. Lewis went on the stand and testified that he was not guilty of the charge of gambling preferred against him. The Recorder was satisfied from the evidence of the State that he was guilty and gave him a fine of $5 additional for testifying as he did, making him have to pay a fine of $10 and costs. John Davis was found not guilty of gambling and a nol pros was taken in a similar case against James Wells.

Willie Green, colored, was tried on a charge of house-breaking, it being alleged that he entered the home of Kate Loftin, colored, one night some weeks ago. He was found not guilty of the charge. The warrant upon which he was arrested was sworn out by Patrolman R. S. Haddock. The officer heard the woman calling, "murder, burglar," etc., and running up to the house found Green in the room and the woman said that he had broken into the house. Green was placed under arrest and carried to the City Hall. He resisted and an additional charge of resisting arrest was lodged against him. It later developed that Green was living at the home of the Loftin woman, who is his aunt. Therefore he was found not guilty of housebreaking. As the negro had committed no crime for which to be arrested the Recorder dismissed the case charging resisting an officer.

Other cases disposed of yesterday were: Willie Santee, drunk and disorderly, $5 and costs; Wm. Morris, assault on a female, case from Justice W. McD. Evans' court, judgment suspended upon payment of costs; Jake Middleton, assault on Jessie Bryant by trying to strike her with a bottle, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of costs. "Humpback Jack" alias John Williams, disorderly conduct, submitted to charge and judgment suspended upon payment of costs; Willie Brown, disorderly conduct, $10 and costs; Carrie Lamb, disorderly conduct, $10 and costs; Lucy Hicks, keeping disorderly house, six months on county farm; C. H. Hnhand, shooting pistol in city limits, judgment suspended upon payment of costs; E. McKoy, shooting rifle in city limits, judgment suspended upon payment of costs; Dave Jordan, carrying a concealed weapon, $25 and costs; Albert Huske, carrying a concealed weapon, $25 and costs; Ben Prince, carrying concealed weapon, $25 and costs; Walter Green, carrying a concealed weapon, continued for defendant until today, and bond fixed at $50; Eleanor Myers, vagrancy, 30 days on the county farm, sentence to begin today unless she can show that she has employment; Walter McQuire, vagrancy, 30 days on roads; Rosa Thomas and Nora Nixon, vagrancy, not guilty; Maggie and Dora Crawford, vagrancy, 30 days each on county farm; Warren Dixon, vagrancy, 30 days on farm.

During the month of December, ending Saturday the 30th, there were tried before the Recorder 355 defendants. This does not include those tried yesterday.

See That Your Oranges and Grapefruit Come in Boxes Bearing the Brand of the Florida Citrus Exchange

The Florida Citrus Exchange is composed of the most expert and progressive citrus-fruit growers of the state. It protects consumers against unripe, immature and inferior fruit. Every orange or grapefruit in a box bearing the brand of the Exchange has been throughly inspected, carefully picked and packed, and reaches you in good condition. It will keep indefinitely.

Florida Oranges and Grapefruit Are the Best Because Most Juicy

The best citrus fruit is that which yields the most juice—the element that contains the citric acid. One dozen Florida oranges or grapefruit contain as much juice as one and a half dozen grown elsewhere. You can prove this for yourself. Try it! No other country in the world can produce an orange so spicy, so sweet, so juicy, so fragrant, so health-giving, as Florida. No other country can produce a grapefruit with such texture, such richness of flavor, or so delightfully toning and vitalizing to the system, as Florida. All oranges and grapefruit are good, but Florida's are the best, and the Florida Citrus Exchange handles only the choicest grown in Florida.

Buy Oranges and Grapefruit by the Box—It Is the Economical Way

The proper way to buy oranges and grapefruit is by the box. It costs less, and you get perfect fruit. It keeps until used, and you always have it in the house. There isn't any danger of your eating too much of it.

Every lot of oranges or grapefruit bearing the mark of the Florida Citrus Exchange—insist that your dealer send you only boxes so marked—contains a booklet of citrus-fruit recipes and coupon good for one-half the retail price of silverware and cut-glass articles for serving. Booklet without the coupon will be mailed free for four cents in stamps. Address

FLORIDA CITRUS EXCHANGE, Tampa, Florida

ROGER ATKINS KINGSBURY

Passed Away Suddenly Last Night at His Home on Orange Street—Well Known and Esteemed in Wilmington Section—Funeral.

Many friends will hear with sincere sorrow of the death of Mr. Roger Atkins Kingsbury, a well known and highly esteemed citizen of Wilmington, oldest son of Dr. and Mrs. Theodore B. Kingsbury, of this city, which occurred rather suddenly last night at 9 o'clock at his home, No. 409 Orange street.

Mr. Kingsbury had been in rather poor health for a year or more, suffering at times with his heart, but yesterday he appeared unusually bright and was down town during the morning and evening. Returning to his home soon after nightfall, he suffered an attack of something like acute indigestion. Physicians were hastily summoned and although they ministered to him for some time, all their efforts were in vain and he passed away at the hour named.

Mr. Kingsbury was born in Oxford, N. C., on January 25th, 1856, and was, therefore, in the 56th year of his age. He came to Wilmington when quite a young man, Dr. Kingsbury, his father, being for a number of years editor of The Morning Star and later of The Wilmington Messenger, in this city. He was by profession an accountant, and until his death was actively engaged with a number of Wilmington's largest firms, being for eighteen years with Messrs. Williams & Murchison, and the firms which succeeded that large mercantile enterprise in this city. He was an adept bookkeeper and few were his superiors in that capacity in the State or in the South. He was a man of fine intellect, kindly humor, and made a host of friends in every walk of life. A genial smile and a pleasant word for everyone, there were few who did not number him as their friend. His passing will be genuinely regretted wherever he was known.

On October 17th, 1889, Mr. Kingsbury married Miss Jennie Bernard, of Wilmington, and she, with two sons and three daughters, are left to mourn their loss and have, in the affliction which has come to them, the kindliest sympathy of a host of friends everywhere. They are Mr. Theodore Bryant Kingsbury, Jr., of the A. C. L. general offices in this city; Miss Sue Northrop Kingsbury, Miss Margaret Stedman Kingsbury, and little Miss Genevieve Garland Kingsbury, all of this city. He is also survived by his venerable father, Dr. Theodore Bryant Kingsbury and Mrs. Kingsbury, one brother, Mr. Walter R. Kingsbury, and three sisters, Miss Margaret L. Kingsbury, Miss Mark S. Kingsbury and Miss Maude M. Kingsbury, all of this city. They, too, have the tenderest sympathy of all in the sorrow which has come to them.

Mr. Theodore B. Kingsbury, Jr., was telegraphed last night of the death of his father, and left Memphis at 10:30 o'clock by Southern Railway for Wilmington. The funeral arrangements had not been made last night, but will be announced later.

MR. J. J. WADE DEAD

Prominent Business Man of Dunn Pased Away Yesterday

Mr. W. B. Cooper last night received a telegram announcing the death of a close friend, Mr. J. J. Wade, of Dunn, a wealthy citizen of that place and well-known in this city and section. Mr. Wade had been in declining health for some time and his death was not entirely unexepected, though it will come as a distinct shock to hundreds of his friends throughout the State. For many years he was president of the First National Bank of Dunn and was prominently affiliated with many of the other leading business institutions of the section. The news of his passing will be received with sorrow here as well as elsewhere. The funeral services will be held at Dunn, probably today, and interment will be made there.

New York, Jan. 1.—More than 60 persons took a new year's bath in the surf at Coney Island today. The water was only 37 degrees above zero and a cold northwest wind was blowing, but a number of the hardy ones ventured to swim far out.

State of Ohio, city of Toledo, } ss.
Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

AVIATION MEET!

Postponed from Yesterday, on Account of Weather Conditions and Motor Troubles.

WALTER R. BROOKINS, IN HIS WRIGHT AEROPLANE.

ALL TAGS USED YESTERDAY GOOD TODAY.
GRAND STAND SEATS FREE!

MAIL-CARRYING, SHARP-SHOOTING AND EXHIBITION FLIGHTS.

Those Who Could Not Come Yesterday, Come Today

ADMISSION FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NO TAGS: 50 CENTS.

Gates Open 2:30 P. M. Gates Open 2:30 P. M.

EVENTS START 3:30 P. M.

COME TO THE Aviation Meet

New Year's Day---Jan. 1st

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If you are looking for something Real Nice for your Husband, Brother or Beau, just drop in our store and you will find it.

Neckwear..... from 25c. to $1.50
Gloves.....from 25c. to $2.50
Suspenders.....from 25c. to $1.00
Sox..... from 25c. to 50c
Pajamas.....from 75c. to $2.50
Bath Robes..... from $4.50 to $6.00
Handkerchiefs.....from 10c. to $1.00
Night Shirts.....from 75c to $1.50
Shirts.....from 50c. to $2.00

Underwear, Hats, and Everything That's Suitable for a Present.

J. W. FLEET COMPANY

STORE OPEN UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK.
Arrow Collars and Holeproof Sox.

USEFUL GIFTS

FOR FATHER, MOTHER, BROTHER OR SISTER:

Ladies' Felt Slippers, all colors..... $1.00 to $1.50
Ladies' Boudoir Slippers, all colors..... $1.00
Ladies' Evening Slippers, a variety of styles..... $3.50
Ladies' White Buckskin Button Boots.. $4.50 to $5.00
Men's Felt Slippers, black..... $1.50
Men's Kid Opera Slippers, black and tan. $1.50 and $1.75
Men's Dancing Pumps, patent and gun metal..... $2.50
Puttee Riding Leggins..... $3.50 and $4.00

STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK.

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AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Policeman Barber Injured--Chief of Department and Driver Injured Reception of New Year— Other Notes of Interest

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., January 1.—Policeman C. B. Barber, who was shot Sunday by Will McNeill, the negro whom Barber and three other officers were attempting to arrest for an assault committed some time ago, is reported to be improving at the hospital today. The bullet has not been located, but it seems to have, after entering just above the heart, passed upward and broken the shoulder blade. There will be no trial of the negro until the full effect of the wound of Officer Barber develops.

Chief of the Fire Department Walter Woolcott is recovering nicely from injuries about the head that he sustained Sunday morning by being thrown from his buggy at the head of Fayetteville street while driving, at high speed to reach a fire. His driver, Hubert Fowler, seems to have been injured more seriously than the chief. He is also doing nicely at the hospital.

Raleigh greeted the New Year right noisly. Steam whistles, bells and cannon crackers woke that part of the populace that was abed and some more marauders turned in a couple of false fire alarms from different sections of the city that put the fire apparatus on noisy runs through the streets.

The New Year holiday was pretty generally observed in Raleigh by the banks and business houses, the State offices and in the government building and a "prosperous and happy New Year" spirit seemed to pervade the air. President H. E. Litchford, of the Chamber of Commerce, says that one of the greatest assets that Raleigh has developed during the past year is "public spirit, unity and purpose and city pride" among the rank and file of the business people. The change in this respect the past few years has been very marked.

NEW YEAR USHERED IN.

Birth of the New Year Observed in the Usual Way Here.

The passing of the old year 1911 and the birth of the new year, 1912, was observed in Wilmington Sunday midnight in the usual way. There were night-watch services in several churches and at different homes and all were of a particularly impressive and interesting nature. A few minutes before the clock at the Court House tolled the hour of 12 there was a mighty chorus of locomotive and steamboat whistles, church bells, etc., with an occasional explosion of firecrackers. This noise kept up until about 15 minutes after the birth of the new year, when all became quiet again.

Services were held at Grace Methodist Church from 11 to 12 o'clock. The lecture room of the church was crowded and all joined in the service. There was Scripture reading and a short talk by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Wooten, and then the service was turned into an experience meeting and several testified to the many blessings which they had received during the good old year of 1911.

Yesterday was pretty generally observed in the city as a holiday. All public offices were closed as well as the banks and the postoffice observed holiday hours. In the afternoon a big portion of the population went to Highwood Park.

FUNERAL OF MRS. NORTHROP

Services Held Sunday From Residence of Mr. C. W. Yates

The funeral of Mrs. Matilda W. Northrop, relict of the late Mr. Samuel G. Northrop, were held Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock from the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. C. W. Yates, No. 110 North Fourth street, and was attended by a large number of sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends. Rev. John C. Wooten, pastor of Grace Methodist church, conducted the services, following which the remains were tenderly borne to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment was made. The grave was covered with a large number of handsome floral designs, attesting the love and esteem in which this good woman had been held. The honorary pall-bearers were: Mr. W. H. Sprunt and Mr. E. O. Toomer, while the active were: Messrs. J. T. King, J. D. Nutt, D. C. Love, M. F. Allen, John R. Hanby and Charles Von Glahn.

SHOT AT INTRUDER

Home of Mr. Tom Simmons, in East Wilmington, Entered

The man who entered the home of Mr. Tom Simmons, in East Wilmington, unheralded and uninvited, Saturday night about 10 o'clock, probably has a portion of the contents of a shot gun in his body. Mr. Simmons was not at home at the time. Mrs. Simmons heard a noise as if some one trying to get in the house and went to investigate, accompanied by her 12-year-old son, Tom Simmons, Jr., who carried a shot gun. The intruder heard Mrs. Simmons and son approaching and bolted for the window. As he went through head first, Tom fired his gun. The negro rolled over in the sand as if he had been hit. He was up again in a jiffy and disappeared in the darkness. The negro gained entrance to the residence through a window.

SCHOOLS OPEN TODAY.

Work to be Resumed After Short Vacation—Teachers Return.

After the usual holiday vacation, which was all too short for the children, the city graded schools and the rural public schools will open this morning for the Spring term. The children have had a respite of ten days from their studies, but they had only five regular schools days as holidays. However, they have made the most of this time and some are actually ready to return to the school room to take up their studies where they left off before the holidays. The city schools will open at 9 o'clock this morning. Mr. John J. Blair, the superintendent, and the teachers who spent their vacation period elsewhere have returned to the city and are ready to resume their work.

HOOKWORM CAMPAIGN.

Additional Dates Are Announced for New Hanover—Appointments.

Dr. C. L. Pridgen, the hookworm specialist, after a recess for the holidays, announces that the campaign for the eradication of the disease in New Hanover county will be resumed today with an appointment at the court House in Wilmington. The campaign will be pushed with all due diligence and Dr. Pridgen, the specialist, urges the public to take advantage of this last opportunity to free themselves of the infection or at least to ascertain whether or not they are infected. The remaining dates and appointments for this county are as follows:

Wilmington, Tuesday, January 2nd and 9th, Court House in Wilmington.

Middle Sound, Wednesday, January 3rd and 10th, at Shepard's store.

Greenville Station, Thursday, January 4th and 11th, at Mrs. Harrell's store.

Masonboro, Friday, January 8th and 12th at Masonboro Church.

Wrightsboro, Saturday, January 6th and 13th, at Davis' store.

Dr. Pridgen is much gratified at the results of his investigation in New Hanover and for these final appointments, he is anxious to have as large a number of applicants as possible. Any information as to the detection and treatment of the disease will be given upon application to any of the dispensaries, the dates for which are given above.

Big Arcanian Event

The biggest event in Arcanian circles in the last several months is scheduled for next Monday night, when there will be a joint installation of the newly elected officers of Cornelius Harnett Council, 231, and Carolina Council No. 1874, at the Odd Fellows' Hall, opposite the City Hall. The event will be in the nature of a celebration of the 33rd anniversary of Cornelius Harnett Council, the first to be established in North Carolina. Following the installation ceremonies a banquet will be served. Invitations have been sent to all members of both Councils to be present and it is expected that the attendance will be large.

No Names of Writer.

The Star has two communications to which it would be very glad to give space, one from Rosindale, N. C., and another from Charlotte, N. C., but for the fact that neither is accompanied by the name of the contributor, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. It seems that by this time everyone should know that newspapers do not publish communications sent to them anonymously; that while the names are not wanted for publication, the real name of the contributor should accompany as a guarantee of good faith.

Will Be Decided Today

While it has not yet ben definitely determined it is very likely that the schooner Esther Ann, bound from Apalachicola, Fla., to Boston, which put in at Southport last Wednesday on account of loss of rudder head, will be towed to her destination. This will be decided this morning. Mr. Brewster, of New York city, representing the Underwriters, arrived in the city late Saturday night to hear the report of the board of survey and confer with other interested parties. At a conference this morning it will be decided whether the vessel will be towed to her destination.

Mr. H. L. Hunt Admitted

The many friends of Mr. H. Lacy Hunt will be interested and pleased to know from an announcement elsewhere in today's paper that he has been admitted to partnership in the wholesale grocery business of Messrs. McNair & Pearsall, which has been so successfully conducted here for more than 20 years. Mr. Hunt is one of the best known and most popular young business men in the city and the announcement that he is to become a member of this old and well-known firm will be received with much pleasure everywhere.

Over 300 Arrests for December.

The final month of 1911 was probably a record breaker in the matter of arrests made by the police department, the blotter at headquarters showing a total of 373, as against 177 for December, 1910. The vigorous campaign which is being waged against the vagrants of the city is partly responsible for the large number of arrests, but for almost every kind of offense the number of offenders has increased over the previous year.

Rule Still Further Suspended

Capt. H. W. Stickle, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., for this district, has issued notice to the public that the restriction on the number of vessels in tow of one tug while passing any dredge in the Cape Fear river, is suspended until March 31st, 1912, inclusive.

OFFER WITHDRAWN

Col. Thompson Cancels His Offer to Finance Cotton Crop

Fort Worth, Texas, January 1.—Colonel Robert M. Thompson, of New York and Washington, who proposed a plan to finance 2,000,000 bales of cotton, has withdrawn his offer for the reason, as he states in a private letter, that certain newspapers and persons are making misrepresentations concerning it, which may tend to prevent its future adoption. It is his opinion that the South would save $50,000,000 a year by this plan, or some other plan on the same line.

Following is Colonel Thompson's letter to the committee which conferred with him in New York in regard to the plan: "As a result of the meetings recently held throughout the South, I am convinced that there is no chance this year of my cotton plan being accepted by the farmers, and to prevent a misunderstanding hereafter, I think it better to formally withdraw my offer. You will therefore please consider my offer to receive cotton and make advances upon it as cancelled."

DELIGHT POOR CHILDREN.

Circus Performance on the Floor of the Produce Exchange.

New York, Dec. 30.—On the floor of the produce exchange, where the major portion of New York's perishable foodstuff has changed hands for years, a score of clowns and acrobats performed in a big circus ring this afternoon for the amusement of 2,000 children of the poor, who occupied tiers of temporary wooden seats. To each child the exchange gave a basket of toys, candy and fruit and a pair of roller skates. In addition each boy got a baseball bat and each little girl a doll.

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Does it ache especially after exertion?

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Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a m	10:40 p m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	5:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:55 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p m	8:30 a m

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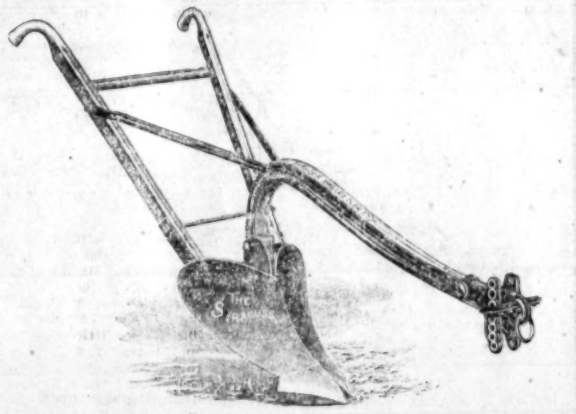

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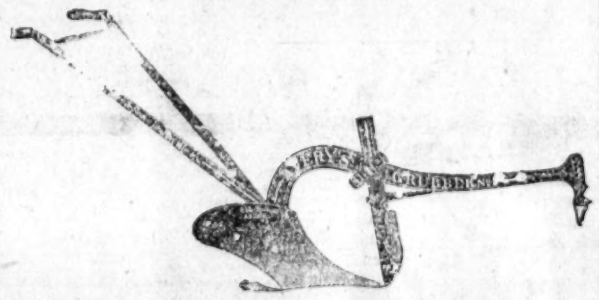

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Tuesday, January 2, 1912.

The insurgents of all parties would be in the majority if they would camp together.

The bells rung in the New Year, but the belles will keep on wringing hearts just as they did during the old year.

Senator LaFollette has lost the clue to the Republican Castle. The one he is following will lead him into another camp.

Up to New Year's Day, President Taft had not filed suit against anybody for alienating the affections of Col. Roosevelt.

Col. Bryan has a right to believe he is still the whole cheese till he finds out that the army treats him like it did Gen. Reyes.

When you do things that you are not willing for the public to know about—is something wrong. Cut it out during 1912.

Says the Norfolk Landmark: "Be optimistic in 1912!" Sure, Mike. It certainly does look good for Winning Wilson and Winsome Wilmington.

Cols. Bryan, Roosevelt and LaFollette are keeping in the limelight just as if they did not know that it is Taft and Wilson who are going to be the candidates for President.

If the Chinese are not qualified for a Republican form of government they are in for indulging in as much experience as we are to have with the initiative, the referendum and the recall.

Some doctor declares that anger generates sugar in the blood and that sugar in the blood is not good for those so afflicted. It's curious that those with sugar in their blood have such bitter tongues.

It is said 20,000 Chinese imperialists have indicated their willingness to go over to the other side for $20 each. Huh! the Chinese place a higher value on themselves than do a whole lot of voters in the United States.

Nothing succeeds like success. General Madero insurged and won the Presidency of Mexico. General Reyes insurged and landed in prison where he languishes with his life at stake. What some men can do with boldness others cannot do in any manner.

The Oyster Bay statesman can no longer go to Washington and have a photograph taken, shaking hands with Taft. The President put a stop to that kind of photographic trick so it couldn't be made to appear as if he shakes hands with any and all kinds of men.

Vice President Sherman must not be overlooked in all this excitement. He says if the people do not want him to run for re-election he will retire from politics. Of course, it will never be known whether the people want Sunny Jim or not. He should know that he will have to retire if the politicians do not want him any longer. Let Sunny Jim cheer up. If the politicians turn him down it will not indicate that the people are against him.

In the first place, Gen. Reyes was too old to undertake to overthrow a government. The time for a man to do things is between his twenty-first and fortieth year. After he gets over 40 he wastes his time worrying over having thrown away the opportunities of his youth. The reason most men never amount to a hill of beans is because they don't get down to business as soon as their whiskers begin to come. Get ready to "turn jack" early while you can stay in the game without getting cold feet.

OYSTER CULTURE.

The fish and oyster industry is of such great importance to eastern North Carolina that interest in it should not be allowed to pass with the holding of the recent State fish and oyster convention at Newbern. The industry can be made a source of great wealth if it is encouraged and properly safe-guarded. If we do not realize its importance now, we will wake up to it some of these days.

Wilmington should specially interest itself in restoring the industry at least to what it was 15 or 20 years ago. It has constantly been on the decline, and one painfully recognizes its decadence when he realizes that the Wilmington market is largely depending on Norfolk oysters. Last week there was a dearth of our premier New River oysters, whereas Wilmington ought to be able to supply the State and a large portion of South Carolina with oysters and fish. Years ago oysters and fish were wholesaled from Wilmington as far as Charlotte and other western North Carolina cities, as well as many in upper South Carolina as far west as Chester, but while it is bad to consider that valuable trade as a thing of the past, it is a thousand times worse to realize that with the ocean and sounds right at us the production falls far short of supplying the local demand.

That is an intolerable condition and we must remedy it. We must do it and we can do it better by organizing a Wilmington association to get in touch with the situation, study the conditions and be prepared to go to Raleigh and have a hearing when the Legislature meets. At its next meeting the General Assembly will take up this question and it should not be allowed to grope in the dark in its attempt to furnish a remedy for the deplorable condition into which a great industry has lapsed.

We have not very closely watched the methods and measures adopted by Maryland and Virginia in conserving their oyster industry, but from time to time we have taken keen interest in their efforts at handling the business. In neither Maryland nor Virginia, however, are the conditions altogether satisfactory, yet Virginia at least seems to have handled the situation to some advantage since her salt water products are coming into North Carolina in immense quantities. We will soon have an opportunity to watch what Maryland is going to do, since the oyster industry in that State will soon be under consideration by the Legislature. That Maryland's oyster industry has declined, we are led to infer from this editorial in the Baltimore Sun of last Sunday:

"Early in his administration Governor Crothers appointed a commission of gentlemen to consider the oyster question. The proper way to proceed in building up, or, rather, in restoring this great industry, is one of the largest problems that have confronted the Legislature in many years. In the revival of the oyster industry there is an enormous potentiality for wealth. It is possible by wise laws to create such an increase in production of oysters in Maryland waters as would give employment to many thousand people and add to the food supply of the country and to the wealth of the State. It is with a view, doubtless, to promote these things that the Oyster Commission makes the recommendations contained in its report which has just been transmitted to the Governor. And yet some of the principal recommendations do not commend themselves. Among other things, the commission suggests that the Shellfish Commission be abolished and that the duties with which that board is charged shall be confided to an unpaid board of marine fisheries. It is also urged that the control of the oyster navy be given to this fisheries board, with power to appoint or dismiss all employes, and that the board should have complete charge of the bottoms of the bay and the rivers. This would seem to be rather a heavy burden and a serious responsibility to put upon unpaid officials, and it is not likely that competent men could be found for this work who would or could give without pay the time and labor needed. The abolition of the Shellfish Commission at this time would be ill-advised. The commission has performed its work faithfully. It has made a splendid survey of the bay and is now ready to build up and maintain the oyster planting industry as soon as the Legislature shall enact such laws as will make it possible. This can be done by a few simple amendments which have been suggested and urged by the Shellfish Commission. Of course, if it should be definitely and finally decided by the Legislature that there shall be no oyster planting and that the oyster industry shall be permitted to die out completely, in that event a shellfish commission will not be needed. But we do not think that public sentiment in Maryland and the sound common sense of the people will permit the Legislature to be guilty of such a wrong to the State. The spectacle of the oyster trade being transferred from Maryland to Virginia, where planting is encouraged, will stimulate the Legislature to follow the wisdom of the Legislature of Virginia in building up a great industry and increasing the wealth of the State."

Maryland seems to be practically in the same fix as North Carolina, and the fact that the Sun takes issues with the shell fish commission shows a lack of thorough understanding of the question by its members, who doubtless have had no experience in the business and have had little time to study it.

The oyster business certainly cannot be restored unless there is an effective planting system, for that must be the main dependence for that great undertaking. Neither can any kind of system be successfully carried out by an unpaid commission. With men unpaid for doing a great work, there will be none to do it, since "everybody's business is nobody's business." Nobody in either Maryland or North Carolina can be expected to pay much attention to any business in which there is nothing for them but expense and worry.

There ought to be a paid commission which shall be kept on the job, studying the conditions and giving intelligent attention to it at all times. The trouble about it now is that men no posted nor experienced are expected in a junket or two to gain full knowledge of something about which they start out knowing nothing. We hope North Carolina will know better than to waste time in an attempt to restore a great industry without expecting to pay the right kind of men for doing a work of so much importance to the State.

CAMPAIGN BOOSTING

Some of our exchanges are decrying the bureau articles sent to the press in behalf of the various Presidential and Senatorial candidates. Quit doing that. It's all right. It is merely a way of securing publicity, and the and the bureaus send it to the press because they realize that the most powerful medium for publicity is the newspaper. It is a compliment to the press and a strong acknowledgment of the great usefulness of the newspapers in reaching the people. The Star does not resent it but feels flattered. It gives Presidential publicity matter the same consideration that it gives to all other communications. It gives them consideration even if it does not give all of them space.

It is every man's privilege to get publicity and get into the limelight in any way that he chooses and it is the perogative of a newspaper to feed the waste basket everything that is not to its notion. The Presidential and Senatorial bureaus are sending out much that is informing to the editors and the public. The biographies and sketches provide the only means of acquainting us with the life, achievements and triumps of the men who ave been doing things and want to do more. The public ought to know what they have done and propose to do, so it can decide between them on their merits. People ought to know about the character, the ability and the availability of the men who aspire to leadership in the Nation and State. If it weren't for newspaper publicity, who would know what the dickens the Sun's, the Wu's, the Kai's, Lungs' and others of the boys are doing in China? Who would know how to whoop for Teddy or turn him down if they did not know what the colonel has done to offset his record on campaign slush funds, dragging editors out of their jurisdicition to be tried in Washington, busting trusts by consenting for some of them to gobble up their competitors, and the like.

Publicity is great! It is the only way we can tell whether a man is a statesman, or a mounte-bank, or a demagogue, or simply an irrespressible whang-doodle. The press stuff that is being sent out from the bureaus tells us all about the achievements of Woodrow Wilson, Judson Harmon, Champ Clark, Oscar Underwood, Joseph W. Folk, William J. Bryan, William Howard Taft, and the whole bunch. Soon the National campaign committees of both parties will be sending out publicity stuff and it will be up to editors to run what they want or kindle the fire with the rest, according to their point of view.

The press stuff from Republican headquarters will remind us of the real achievements of Taft and will not mention the things that he hasn't done or ought have done. They will justify his vetoes of the tariff bills and praise his trust-busting record, even attempting to prove that busting the Tobacco Trust into four parts is effective. It will make Democratic editors laugh while Republican editors will try to make the people believe the trusts have been busted without humilating a magnate by putting him in jail.

Of course, if editors were to fill up their papers with campaign booster stuff, their newspapers could not carry anything else. It is up to the editors to decide what they want to publish. It will be found that they won't object to the publicity that is for their candidates.

TO GO ON LaFOLLETTE'S TRAIL.

Senator LaFollette has accentuated the Presidential campaign by invading President Taft's own State. The insurgent leader has made many telling speeches in Ohio and wound up last week by carrying the fight into Taft's own home city of Cincinnati.

The Republicans evidently fear the effect of LaFollette's speeches in the Buckeye State, for Warren G. Harding, Republican candidate for Governor in Onio last year, put out immediately for Washington and was a caller on President Taft last Thursday. He had something to say about what he termed "the LaFollette invasion," and while he expressed the belief that President Taft will carry the Republican State convention, he must not have felt so sure about his carrying the State.

Harding talked optimistically, of course, but at any rate, President Taft has decided to go to Ohio during the latter part of January to make several speeches in the State. He is scheduled for a half dozen speeches and may make more.

Something in the New York Post was contrary to the way Colonel Roosevelt wanted it and he just denounced it as "a characteristic and peculiarly infamous falsehood." It is not a peculiarly infamous falsehood to say that the Colonel is not complying with his promise to "keep quiet."

Col. Roosevelt declares the peace treaty business is "worse than foolish—in short, hypocritical." Since President Taft fathers those peace treaties and considers them something great, the remarks of the Colonel are not at all complimentary to the President. Teddy puts mouth on the whole treaty business and even passes up the President for springing something foolish and hypocritical.

So long as the policy of the world powers is to gobble up territory and even wage war to acquire territory from other people, the peace movement will have a hard time going ahead. Territorial aggrandizement and jealousy over commercial expansion indicates the greed of nations. The happiest people on earth are those who are so busy making a living they haven't time to exploit other people.

CURRENT COMMENT.

As a number of friends of Judge Clark met in Raleigh to discuss the Senatorial situation it must be that they are really taking his candidacy serious.—Durham Herald.

Vice President Sherman says that if the people don't want him to run for re-election he will retire from politics. So why not cheer up?—Minneapolis News.

We are afraid neither of Mr. Bryan nor Mr. Roosevelt. One man may sometimes run a party, but it is a more difficult matter for him to run the country.—Durham Herald.

To still further prove that he has no sympathy with the former free silver wing of his party, Uncle Jud Harmon is acting on the principle that silence is golden.—Cleveland Leader.

Another murderer went to his reward yesterday at Raleigh with the words, "I never knew I would come to this." Little words these, but the meaning of them should make everyone think.—Rocky Mount Telegram.

It is stated that Governor Mann, in his message to the General Assembly, will recommend that the State's contract with the shoe company under which the latter employs hundreds of convicts in the manufacture of shoes, be abrogated. The Governor will recommend the enactment of legislation providing for the employment on the public roads of every convict possible. The recommendation will meet with hearty approval all over Virginia, and the Legislature will fail to respond to a strong popular demand if it should neglect to enact the legislation needed to carry the recommendation of the governor into effect.—Petersburg Index-Appeal.

Free bridges! It has taken a long time to get them, but here they are at last, a New Year's gift to the counties of Lexington and Richland from Columbia township. Twenty five years ago free bridges were advocated in the Columbia correspondence of the News and Courier, but while it would have then paid to remove the barriers of toll bridges from the gates of the capital, this community was so poor that it had not the spirit to seriously tackle the problem. The final success of the movement is due to the fact that the Columbia Chamber of Commerce took hold of the plan, formulated a definite scheme for carrying it out, and the succeeded in getting the right citizens to devote their energies to it. In buying and freeing the toll bridges over the Congaree and Broad rivers, Columbia takes another long progressive step.—Columbia State.

Raleigh has much to be thankful for in the year just coming to a close. It has been a good year to and for the city. She has accomplished more towards real progress during the year 1911 than in any other year in her history. It is not alone in growth in population, in the increase in her industrial activity, in the erection of the new buildings that the city has made progress this past year. In that respect it has been a full year. But perhaps of even greater significance than all this material progress and prosperity is the new spirit which has come upon the old city and made her over again. Through this spirit she has come to know herself and her power, to realize her capabilities. Through it she looks upon the present as a time of opportunity and rejoices in the tasks set for her accomplishment. The bigger they are the better, for she knows she can do big things.—Raleigh Times.

The Democrats who are proposing to look into the money trust ought to be able to get some valuable assistance from Samuel Untermyer. In the News of yesterday was printed an extract from a recent address of Mr. Untermyer in which he took the ground that Congress would have to enact legislation to control the money power—how Populistic the words sound!—now concentrated in Wall street. But, of course, there is no trust in the ordinary meaning of the word. The men and the interests that control the situation are not confederated together as they are in industrial monopolies. The thing is done by a few men who have at their command vast sums of money that do not belong to them, and who have an understanding as to how that money shall be used. A few bankers in New York through their relations to great trusts and railroad systems are able to secure for their banks the accounts of these trusts and railroads.—Indianapolis News.

Nineteen-eleven was a record-breaking year for Charlotte. In the number of expensive buildings, in the transfer of valuable real estate, in all the varied features of our business activities, the old year brought exceptional things to Charlotte. More than $1,000,000 was invested in new buildings during the year, this figure exceeding by more than $150,000 the record of the previous year. In the real estate world, the activity was noteworthy. Mr. E. D. Latta was the most notable operator in the purchase of town property. Early in the year he invested in real estate near the center of the city more than $350,000. Mr. George Stephens organized a company and bought Myers park and adjacent properties covering an area of about 1,100 acres. This purchase represented the outlay of a very large sum of money. It has made possible the building of one of the handsomest suburban communities in the South. The Southern Power Company has been very active in real estate. Its purchases on Mint street for depot facilities for the Piedmont & Northern Railway Company called for many hundreds of thousands of dollars. There is no phase of industrial activity in which Charlotte fell behind during the year and there is no phase of industrial activity in which Charlotte will not keep pace with the records of the old year during the new. Indeed, the prospects for ever greater things is extremely bright.—Charlotte Observer.

NEW UNION STATION

Card From President Corbett—Credit to Whom Credit is Due

Editor Morning Star: Referring to your article in Sunday morning's paper on new Atlantic Coast Line station and your very complimentary remarks on my efforts towards securing it, due credit should also have been given my predecessor, Mr. J. A. Taylor.

It is very true while I have since becoming president of the Chamber of Commerce, been quietly working with the A. C. L. officials to get a new station, it should not be forgotten the former president and the Chamber devoted much time and effort in that direction and made my efforts more easy of accomplishment.

Respectfully,
M. J. CORBETT.

WITHDRAW PROPOSED ADVANCE.

But Certain Rates from Atlanta to be Advanced.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.—Announcement was made today of the permanent withdrawal of the proposed advance by Southern railroads on commodity rates from Atlanta, the Southeastern territory, and Ohio river crossings, to a number of Southern cities and a corresponding advance on 75 commodities shipped only from Atlanta. The order affects principally Mississippi, Alabama and Florida cities.

The advance was first promulgated in November, 1910, but has been three times suspended. The commodities concerned include boots and shoes, paper boxes, brooms, dry goods, furniture, hats, caps, machinery and paper pads.

Important Announcement---January Sale

STARTS THURSDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 1912—SPECIALS TO CLOSE BEFORE STOCK TAKING:

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Sweaters for Men, Women and Children.

Special Reduction. Women's, $3.00 Sweaters for $2.48; $2.50 Sweaters for $1.89; Men's $1.50 Sweaters, coat styles, at 98c; $2.50 Sweaters, $1.89.

Splendid Fur Sale.

Furs have never been cheaper; 25% off on all Furs and Fur Sets. Now is the time to buy Furs, and Winter has just begun.

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WILL MAKE FLIGHTS TODAY

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Events start at 3:30 P. M.
Exhibition flight.
Sharp-shooting from aeroplane.
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Miscellaneous flights.
Tags for admission used yesterday good for today. Grandstand free.

Cars every five minutes.
Fare 10 cents round-trip from Front and Princess.

Inclement weather and possibly that ineffable something commonly termed "hard luck," combined to deal a heavy blow to the aviation and racing meet scheduled to be held yesterday afternoon at Highwood Park, and when the black mantle of night settled down over the grounds, the sum total of the events that had been pulled off was a sort of a trotting race of two heats, participated in by three horses, and which, on account of the heaviness of the track, was more of a farce than a race. There were some 2,000 or more disappointed spectators, some of whom, waxed wroth, over the fact that their money had not been returned nor had any definite promise of another meet been made.

Although Walter Brookins, the aviator who was to make the flight, and his helpers worked several hours attempting to get the Wright-Burgess aeroplane in condition to make a flight, they made an absolute failure of it, and the big propellers did not once make a revolution except when turned by human hands. The flying was scheduled to begin a 3 o'clock and was to have been interspersed with automobile, motorcycle and horse races, but early in the afternoon it was announced that on account of the muddy condition of the track the auto and motorcycle races would be called off. The large crowd received this announcement good-naturedly, as it was evident to all that the track was in no condition for racing. However it was announced that a trotting race would be held, and that following this the aeroplane flights would be made. It was stated that on account of the rain that had fallen during the morning the machinicians had been unable to put the flying machine together, but that it would be brought on the field and assembled and that flights would then be made.

The first heat of the trotting race was won by Highwood King in 1:31, with Richard Prince second and Anna Director third. On account of the heaviness of the track only half-mile heats were run; and while the time made was good the contest was too slow and uninteresting to hold the attention of the crowd. The second heat resulted similarly to the above with the exception that the time was a little better, Highwood King thus being declared the winner.

Express His Regrets

When at The Orton Hotel last night Mr. Brookins expressed himself as being solely disappointed that a combination of circumstances prevented him from making a flight yesterday. He gave out the following signed statement relative to the efforts made to fly and of his purpose to fulfill his contract this afternoon:

"There were a combination of circumstances that worked against us yesterday which were entirely unforseen and unavoidable. I should like to express through the columns of The Star my sincere regret that the misfortune which befel us had to be so great a disappointment to the people of Wilmington. As everybody who was at Highwood Park yesterday saw for him or herself, the motor on my aeroplane refused absolutely to work. Every effort on my part was of no avail.

"It was not until 5:30 P. M. that the motor found itself and then I had to work on it for half an hour before it was running fit enough to start on a flight. By that time darkness had set in and most of the people had left the grounds. Not being familiar with the field I did not dare risk making a flight in the darkness, which I other wise would have done if for no other reason than to show by good faith. The members of the Driving Association, particularly Mr. Frank Herbst, and Dr. Caldwell, gave me every assistance and I should regret very much if the disappointment of yesterday's meet should in any way reflect on these gentlemen who had made every endeavor to present to Wilmington one of the most complete meets that I have ever attended in a city of this size. I cannot express too deeply my regret.

"It was the first time in my career as an aviator that the misfortune of a stubborn motor has caused me to disappoint an audience of interested spectators. The management of the meet has arranged to have the events run off today so that everybody who was present yesterday may return, using tags which they held to gain admittance. I hope that everybody will come and if the rain has abated, doubtless the race track will be in much better condition than it was yesterday. Certainly I shall not leave Wilmington without having made the flights as I agreed.

"WALTER R. BROOKINS."

Rain Caused First Delay

Before anticipating any trouble with the power, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. Brookins' machinician, stated that he was delayed in assembling the aeroplane on account of the rain. There was no shed under which he could work and if the machine had been left exposed to the showers the rain would have soaked into the canvas and would have made it more than twice as heavy. In view of the fact that the race track was in such bad condition that it would have been almost impossible to have started the machine from it and also as Mr. Brookins had agreed to take up a passenger it was absolutely necessary that his machine should have been in first-class condition. Certainly if the planes had been rain-soaked he would have had to make his flight with at least 200 pounds of extra weight. It was to avoid this that the machine was kept unassembled under the stable sheds where there was just enough room to protect it from the rain. Had there been space there for assembling the machine it would have been in readiness much before 3 o'clock, the hour set for the opening of the meet. Mr. Lawson was at the field at 7 o'clock in the morning. Several times he started to work on the machine, but each time was interrupted by rain showers and had to move it back under the shed.

Motor Next Gives Trouble

When the machine was once assembled it was immediately rolled out on the field. Mr. Brookins was ready to make his first flight, but when the mechanician tried to start the motor by turning the propellers several swings of the big blades, failed to produce an explosion in any of the chambers of the motor. He tried again and a third time, but still the motor was lifeless. Mr. Brookins immediately set to work adjusting the magneto. He primed the cylinders by pouring gasoline into the chambers. This also failed to bring about an explosion. He then again set to work to regulate his magneto. And finally got it adjusted so that it gave a little sputter, which indicated to him that he was gradually reaching a point where the motor would start. He primed the motor for a second time, pouring a considerable quantity of gasoline into it. With the next whirl the propeller at 5:30 o'clock it started off with a loud noise and blue flames snooting from the exhaust. For another half hour he worked on it until it ran with regularity. Then he said that he would like to have made a flight in the darkness, but because he was unfamiliar with the ground, which was in a very much ploughed up state, he, in order to avoid any mishap in making a landing, postponed the flight until today.

The Programme Today

The entire programme of flying events will be carried out today. Mr Brookins will give one exhibition flight, the target-shooting flight and the mail-carrying by aeroplane. In addition to this, Mr. Boorkins will make other flights which were not in yesterday's programme. Just what they will be, will be announced by the megaphone on the field today. He may show how an accurate landing is made in the track in front of the grandstand is sufficiently dried. He may also show a quick starting, which is causing the machine to rise from the earth in the shortest distance and shortest time. He also may take up another passenger besides the flight in which Lieut. Paul L. Cantwell will shoot at the target.

There was much criticism of the management of the meet for not providing some means by which the crowds could have been informed of the cause of the delay in making the flight and of the probability of no flight at all being made. There was also criticism for failure to have some person or persons, to announce from the grandstand and at the gates that the meet would be held again today and that those holding tags for yesterday's meet would be admitted upon the tags which they hold. Had there been some one to notify the people of the purpose of the management to hold another meet, there would have been far less cause for complaint.

Three thousand letters and post cards were mailed at the aerial substation at the park, to be carried up in the airship. The substation was in charge of Mr. E. L. Lee and Mr. Albert B. Guyton, two of the efficient clerks of the postoffice. The mail-carrying flight, which was to have been held by special permission of Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock, was to have been the second flight made. Lieutenant Paul L. Cantwell, of the Wilmington Light Infantry, who was to have shot at a target from the moving aeroplane, was on hand with his rifle, and was ready to go up with Mr. Brookins on the third flight, when the target-shooting was to have been held. Both of these events will take place today.

The failure of the meet was a sore disappointment to many, for hundreds will probably not have another opportunity of seeing an aeroplane in flight in this city soon. Yesterday being New Year's Day was a holiday and many were out to see the flight who would ordinarily be unable to leave their duties. Then, too, there were many out-of-town visitors who had made the trip especially to see the flight and many of whom had to return to their homes last night.

GOES WITH W. L. I.

Fort Caswell Officer Takes Position of Quartermaster Sergeant

Sergeant Fraser, who has served 30 years in the United States army, being stationed for the past few years at Fort Caswell as a member of the Coast Artillery Corps, has accepted the position of quartermaster sergeant and janitor of the Wilmington Light Infantry and will enter upon his new duties today. He has been retired from the United States army with a pension. Sergeant Fraser has moved his family to Wilmington and is occupying the dwelling in the rear of the W. L. I. armory. He will be of much benefit to the members of the W.L. I. on account of his long service in the United States army.

A Hero in a Lighthouse.

For years J. S. Donahue, So. Haven, Mich., a civil war captain, as a lighthouse keeper, averted awful wrecks, but a queer fact is, he might have been a wreck himself if Electric Bitters had not prevented. "They cured me of kidney trouble and chills," he writes, "after I had taken other so-called cures for years, without benefit and they also improved my sight. Now at seventy, I am feeling fine." For dyspepsia, indigestion, all stomach, liver and kidney troubles, they're without equal. Try them. Only 50 cts. at R. R. Bellamy.

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Monthly Current Events

Big Vitagraph production at The Grand Theatre today. Be sure to attend and meet your friends. **

BOYS' BRIGADE BEGINS YEAR

Activities at the Institution Will be Resumed Today After Suspension for the Holidays. Events Scheduled.

All activities at the Boys' Brigade will be resumed today, after a suspension for the usual period on account of the holidays. Tomorrow night there will be a game of basketball between the High School team and Company B team. This promises to be a fast and snappy game from start to finish as both teams are in fine fettle and each is anxious to win.

The High School is still flushed with its victory over the Y. M. C. A. and each player will go into the game determined to duplicate this feat when the team meets the Brigade team. The game will be called at 8:15 P. M. All lovers of basketball, including ladies, are cordially invited to witness the contest.

On Thursday night Company C will hold its regular monthly meeting and Bible class. This company now numbers 26 members and is one of the most enthusiastic in the Brigade. Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the gymnasium classes for the company will be resumed, after which they will enter upon the second series of their basketball tournament to determine the championship for the season of 1911 and 1912. At the conclusion of the series those players who have made the best records will be chosen to represent the company in a post series with other boys' teams in the city.

The second series of games to determine the championship of the senior companies will begin Friday night, when the victorious Pirates will meet their nearest rivals, the Athletics, and the Giants will meet the Tigers. All of these teams are playing fast, snappy ball with good team work abounding and this series promises to be especially interesting, both to players and spectators alike.

On Saturday night the pyramid squad, under the leadership of Mr. Chas. Davis, will resume practice for the Spring gymnastic exhibition, which will occur some time during the latter part of April or early in May. The squad numbers 26 men who are learning to make some very difficult and intricate pyramids which will afford much real pleasure to spectators and will form a very important part of the exhibition.

Next Sunday afternoon the regular monthly meeting will be held in the auditorium. This first meeting of the year has been addressed by Rev. Dr. W. A. Snyder, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, for several years past and he will again be the speaker on this occasion. The choir of St. Paul's church will furnish the music at this meeting and this assures another pleasure to all who attend. This meeting will be for ladies and gentlemen and all are cordially invited to be present. The hour is 5 o'clock and the meeting will last just one hour.

The first business meeting of the year 1912 of Companies A and B will be held next Monday night, January 8th.

A new feature for the Brigade is a series of athletic contests to determine the athletic championship of the Brigade. These contests will be held on Saturday afternoons and will cover a period of nine weeks. Three events will be pulled off each week and they will include 100-yard dash, standing broad jump, pull-up-to-chin, 220-yard dash, running high jump, dip, 440-yard run, running high jump, shoving up 25-pound dumb bell, 880-yard dun, high kicking (standing), shoving up 50-pound dumb bell, one mile run, shot put, rope climbing, relay race (one mile), high kicking (running), throwing medicine ball for distance, running broad jump, throwing baseball, hammer throw, 220-yard hurdle, standing high jump, competitive drill, target shooting.

In each event five points will be allowed for a first place, four for second place, three for third place, two for fourth place, and one for fifth place. The man winning the highest number of points in all contests will be declared the all-around champion of the Brigade for the year 1912, and appropriate prizes will be awarded. The first contest will be held on Saturday afternoon, January 13th.

A feature of the Brigade work is a gymnastic class for middle aged men which meets every day at 1 o'clock and is attended by some of the most prominent business and professional men in the city. The exercise consists of five minutes of medicine ball tossing, 15 minutes of dumb bell exercises, about 10 minutes of miscellaneous exercises, including abdominal work, chest weights, etc., and a quarter mile run. The work at first is light, but is increased as the strength of the new recruit increases until he is able to tackle the whole amount. The results have been very gratifying to those attending and all speak in the most enthusiastic terms of the pleasure and benefit accruing from their exercise. Any business man in the city may enter this class by application to Col. Walker Taylor, one of the members of the class. The class is under the personal direction of Mr. Chas. Dushan, secretary and physical director.

Bowling, which has become one of the interesting features, will be resumed next Tuesday night, January 9th, when the teams contesting for the annual championship will bowl the next series. These contests are open to the public and a great many spectators, including several ladies, have taken advantage of the opportunity to witness the exhibition of this splendid sport.

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MAY NAME INSPECTOR TODAY

Council This Afternoon Will Consider Applications for New Position. Statement Issued by Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt.

One of the principal matters before the City Council this afternoon will be the election of an inspector of sewers and drains under the ordinance adopted at the last meeting providing for such an office. Applications for the position will be received until noon today at the health department. Only one application had been filed with Dr. Nesbitt up to last night. This was that of Mr. John Mather, who is at present a health officer, who is said to be a civil engineer of 18 years experience in Scotland, which country he left to come to America a few months ago.

Mr. Mather will have the unqualified endorsement of Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, city superintendent of health. It is understood that Mr. R. H. Grant, who has been plumbing inspector for a number of years on a fee basis, will be an applicant for the position. Friends of Mr. Grant will probably raise the question that no man should be appointed to the office who is not a citizen of the United States. It is understood that an ordinance will be introduced this afternoon providing for a new scale of rates for plumbing inspection under the new system, the fees collected to go to the city. It is said that the fees will probably make up the difference between the salary now paid to Mr. Mathers and the salary it is proposed to pay him for his new work should he be elected. He is now getting $65 a month and he would probably be given $80 or $100 a month in the new position. Whether it is Mr. Mather, Mr. Grant or some one else, whoever gets the position, the fees will go to the city and be that much on the salary. Dr. Nesbitt last night issued the following statement relative to the matter of inspector of sewers and drains:

"Jan. 1, 1912.

"To the Public:—In order that the entire public may understand completely the attitude of the health department with reference to the appointment of inspector of sewers and drains, I desire to make the following statement:

"The existing plumbing law has been in force and effect since 1907. Under its provisions there is provided the means of so controlling and regulating plumbing installations that imperfect and unsanitary plumbing would be impossible in this city. It was with difficulty that I learned of the existence of a plumbing law and obtained a copy of it. This law had been completely ignored ever since its passage and there was no evidence whatever that the inspections which it required had secured any improvements in any manner whatsoever in the local habit of plumbing installation. During and after the typhoid epidemic last Summer, I required the inspection of a number of premises with regard to faulty plumbing and the reports received indicated but minor faults. Mr. Mather, of the sanitary police, was detailed for special inspection work and carefully re-examined these premises. Some of these premises were examined in person by me and without exception the plumbing installations were found to be unlawful and grossly imperfect. In one instance in a residence where there had been two deaths and four cases of infectious disease, we found the sewer running beneath the house constructed of clay pipe contrary to law, and this pipe was leaking the discharge from the closet and bath into the soil beneath this house and constantly filling the house with the putrid effluvia of sewer gas. This residence had been reported to me in the first instance as being without serious fault. We found in all parts of the city plumbing installed with obsolete types of fittings, imperfect joints, inadequate or no ventilation and grossly inferior workmanship. The greater part of this work having been done by workmen who apparently knew nothing of the principles of sanitary plumbing and who had had very imperfect training in such work. For this work the citizens of this city had without exception paid the full price for perfect equipment and service. In performing this work Mr. Mather has shown the greatest interest, energy and ability. His work has been invaluable to the department and the citizens of Wilmington. During the past four months he has cheerfully and uncomplainingly met every demand upon his time and energy. In addition to his regular inspections he has done all the effective inspection of plumbing, sewers, and drains that has been done in this department during my period of incumbency. His credentials permit of no doubt that he is fully and completely qualified by instruction and training and his service for the city of Wilmington adds most emphatically to this evidence. He richly deserves any promotion that may be possible for him and any increase of pay which may be granted him by the Council. It is my definite intention to urge his appointment to the position of Inspector of Sewers and Drains feeling that it is my official duty as well as my personal pleasure to thus reward him for his past efforts and to secure to this city the services of an active, energetic and competent public servant in a capacity so greatly needed."

DUPLIN COUNTY HUNT

Record Fox Chase Last Saturday—Race Lasted One Hour

One of the prettiest and fastest hunts in the history of the Rock Fish Fox Club, of Duplin county, was held Saturday, December 30th, when after a record race of one hour a wily red fox was run to earth by the fine pack of about 60 dogs, cheered on by about 40 hunters and their guests, who rode horseback.

Reynard's trail was struck in Mr. B. B. Johnson's field and the dogs followed the scent into Cabin Bay, where the jump was made at twelve o'clock. For just one hour the race was hot and furious and at 1 o'clock the wily swamp ranger was brought to bay near Ground bridge, within two miles of Magnolia, where the hounds made short work of him. He was tied to the saddle of Mr. Bob Williams and carried to the home of Mr. B. B. Johnson. The hunting horns were sounded and the hunters and their guests gathered and had a most enjoyable celebration of the capture at the hospitable home of Mr. Johnson, appropriate refreshments being served. The hunters were:

Messrs. C. C. Vann, D. S. Williams, Robert Williams, Joe L. Williams, Robert Ward, C. J. Brice, K. W. Boone, Chas. Pickett, Joe Pollock and James Tarrance. Mr. H. L. Leonard, of Memphis, Tenn., who has been visiting Mr. C. J. Brice for some time, was also in the chase, as well as a large number of other guests. The hunt was one of the most enjoyable in the history of Duplin county fox hunting.

Death of Mrs. Herbert Spencer.

Following a long period of ill health Mrs. Herbert Spencer died at her home, No. 113 South Front street Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. She had been sinking for some time and the end was not altogether unexpected. The deceased is survived by her mother, Mrs. Judge, and her husband, who is in the United States army, being stationed at one of the Western posts. The funeral will be held from the residence this afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will conduct the services and interment will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

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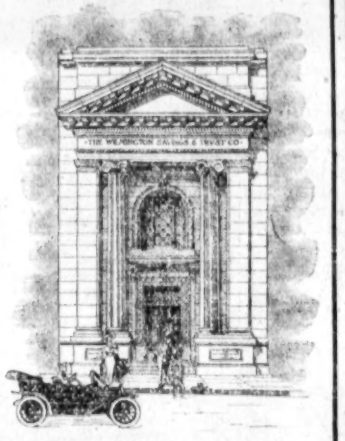

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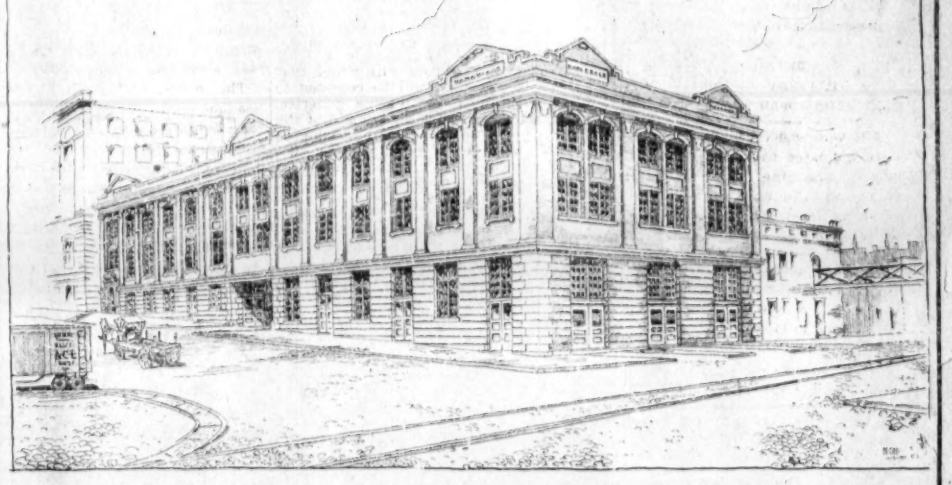

J. W. Murchison & Company, Wholesale Dealers in Hardware, will on January 1st, 1912, move their business from their old location, 109-110 North Front Street, to their new and modern building, located at the corner of Chestnut and Water streets, where they will conduct a wholesale hardware business. They will be glad to see any and all of their old friends at their new location, and will be pleased to serve them in their line at all times.

The firm of J. W. Murchison & Company has assigned and set over to Peck & Holloway their retail hardware business, heretofore conducted at 109-110 North Front street, and bespeak for the new firm the good-will and patronage of the friends of the old firm for their retail business. The new firm of Peck & Holloway will not conduct a wholesale business.

With thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on this firm during the past, we wish our numerous friends a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

J. W. MURCHISON & CO.

CHESTNUT AND WATER STREETS.

SOCIETY

Miss Annie McKay returned yesterday from Lumberton, where she was a guest of Mrs. R. H. Chrichton.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Memory, of Whiteville, are the guests of Mrs. Memory's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Meredith, on North Second street.

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Mr. H. R. Aiken, a member of The Star local staff, returned yesterday from Hickory, where he spent the Christmas holidays with his parents.

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Mr. C. McD. Davis, formerly a popular citizen of Wilmingtol and now of Savannah, Ga., spent yesterday in the city, to the delight of his many friends.

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Mrs. C. W. Bidgood left last night for Baltimore. She will be accompanied as far as Alexandria, Va., by her son, Charles, who will re-enter the Episcopal High School there.

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Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of the city schools, returned to the city yesterday morning from Winston-Salem and High Point, where he spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

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After visiting for some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Williams, at Carolina Place, Miss Grace Dry, of Albemarle, and Miss Sadie Freeman, of Latta, S. C., left Saturday for their homes.

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Cards have been received in this city announcing the marriage of Mr. Clarence S. Clark, of Clarkton, and Miss Edna S. Reynard, of Baltimore, which took place Saturday, December 30th.

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The Star has with the compliments of Oak Hill School, Wilmington, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, Miss Tieph Cason, teacher, a very handsome little card bearing the New Year greeting, the drawing being the original and quite creditable exhibition of the art taught the pupils in connection with their studies.

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It was inadvertently stated through error a few days ago that the very handsome favors for the holiday german of L'Arioso Club in the Masonic Temple were furnished by a New York house. The fact is, the beautiful favors were made by Mrs. Julia A. Booker, of this city, and they were among the handsomest and most unique ever given at a dance in this city.

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Sunday's Charlotte Observer: "Mr. James Harris will leave this morning for Wilmington, where he will attend the leap year ball which is to be given in that city on Monday evening. The event will be given by this season's and last season's debutantes and is expected to eclipse anything which is given in the State during the year. After the leap year ball, Mr. Harris will return with his brother, Mr. Richard Harris, who has spent the greater portion of the holiday in Wilmington."

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Whiteville, N. C., Jan. 1.—The following invitations have been received by a number of Whiteville people, who will go over to Bolton for the occacion:

"The Waccamawians"
request the pleasure of your company
at a
Leap Year dance
to be given for the
enjoyment of all, but especially in behalf of Bolton's Bashful Bachelors
club rooms,
Thursday evening, the fourth of
January,
Nineteen hundred and twelve.
9:00

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NEW YEAR BALL OF THE HOWARD RELIEF CLUB.

A most delightful social event was the New Year's Ball of the Howard Relief Club, given at the handsome club house last night from 9 to 1 o'clock. The dance was attended by about 60 couples and the evening was most enjoyably spent. Music was furnished by Mr. Fred Dock's orchestra and during the evening a delightful supper was served by Mrs. P. N. Fick. The ball was handsomely and tastefully decorated and presented a most attractive scene under the brilliant incandescent lights. The committee on arrangements was composed of Messrs. C. W. Polvogt, J. H. Niggel, Fred Tiencken, C. J. Fick, and L. W. Wessell.

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LEAP YEAR DANCE GIVEN BY FRIDAY EVENING CLUB

Of the several New Year's social events given last night none was more charming and highly enjoyable than the Leap Year Ball which was given by the young ladies of the Friday Evening Social Club, complimentary to the young men, in the Knights of Columbus Hall. There were present upwards of 100 couples, and the evening was most enjoyably spent. The hall was elaborately decorated in holly, bamboo, etc. The colors were white and light blue. Members o fthe club were particularly pleased with the decorations, which were in charge of a committee composed of Mr. Flemming and Misses J. King and Sadie Green, and Messrs. Isadore Lockfaw and James Sheehan. Refreshments were served during the evening, and when the party dispersed all those present declared the occasion to have been the most enjoyable event of the kind they ever attended.

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DANCE AT WARSAW IN HONOR OF PARTY.

Warsaw, N. C., Jan. 1.—One of the most enjoyable social events of the season was the dance given by the Warsaw German Club, on Wednesday night last, complimentary to those here in attendance upon the Smith-Johnson nuptials. The german was led by Rivers D. Johnson with Miss Sallie Bowden, of Wilmington, assisted by Mr. B. P. Sandlin with Miss Cleora Williams. Those dancing were: Misses Melva Carr, Geneva Moore, Jennie Boney, Eunice McIntire, Lily Carter, Ethel Carter, Mary Croom, Jessie Croom, Nina Scott, Pearl McEntee, Tina Croom, Sallie Bowden, Nellie Bowden, Sallie Smith, Anna Peirce, Lucile Best, Virginia Boyette, Cleora Williams, Helen Williams, Sallie Hussey, Mattie Hines, Bettie Cox, Mary Louise Worsley, Blanche Worsley, Mary C. Moore, Elizabeth Moore, Sallie Hill, Christine Pridgen and Louise Anderson; Messrs. B. P. Sandlin, W. E. Hines, C. L. Cox, John Williams, Herman H. Hines, Frank Fonveille, Henry Stevens Jr., Dudley Hill, John Fonveille, John Peirce Dolph Pridgen, Faison Thompson, John Shine, Edward Bowden, Dan Shine, J. E. Williams, E. J. Hill, R. D. Johnson, R. J. Sandlin, John Bright Hill, John A. Royall, Fitzhugh Wallace, W. B. Jones, Albert Herring, Charlie Hussey, James Barden, Charlie Johnson, Moseley Faison, Frank Jerome, William B. Jones, P. J. Health, John Croom, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Land, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Peirce, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Honeycutt, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Baines, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Newbury, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Boney. Patronesses, Mesdames A. B. Anderson, J. T. Gresham, W. C. Owens, L. A. Beasley, J. H. Carter.

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ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S GOLF TOURNAMENT YESTERDAY.

The annual New Year's golf tournament of the Cape Fear Country Club attracted a large number of golfers to the links east of the city yesterday. In the men's 18-hole handicap played in the morning the first prize was won by Mr. R. H. Gwaltney and the second by Mr. M. F. H. Gouverneur. Both the first prizes were handsome copper and pewter cups. Mr. Gwaltney's score was the best ever made on the links in any competitive match. There were 24 contestants and the five best scores are as follows:

R. H. Gwaltney, gross 80, handicap 0, net 80; M. F. H. Gouverneur, gross 97, handicap 14, net 83; W. A. Townes, gross 96, handicap 10, net 86; C. Van Leuven, gross 103, handicap 16, net 87; R. Hunt, gross 105, handicap 18, net 87.

The mixed foursome event scheduled for the afternoon was postponed until Saturday, January 6th, because of the unfavorable weather.

In the afternoon a men's sweepstakes approaching and putting contest was held with 11 entries. Messrs. Gouverneur and A. S. Williams tied for first place and Mr. J. J. Blair won second place. Mr. Gouverneur beat Mr. Williams in the play-off of the tie for first place.

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PRETTY HIGH NOON WEDDING WAS SOLEMNIZED YESTERDAY

At the apartments of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, in the Carolina, a beautiful high noon wedding was solemnized yesterday when their daughter, Miss Hattie C. Taylor, became the bride of Mr. Frederick M. Schiller, of New York city, Rev. Dr. S. Mendelsohn, Rabbi of the Temple of Israel, officiating.

Witnessed by only relatives and close friends of the bride and groom, the ceremony was of a quiet nature, but nevertheless a beautiful one. The handsomely decorated parlors and the impressive ritual of the Jewish faith combined to make the occasion a charming and impressive one.

Upon the conclusion of the ceremony the assembled friends and relatives showered congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy wedded life upon the bride and groom. The happy couple left on an afternoon train for a bridal tour of about ten days. At the end of that time they will be at home to their friends at the Carolina.

Mrs. Schiller is a most charming young woman and is very popular among a wide circle of friends, who are delighted that she and her husband will make their home in this city. The groom is a well-known traveling man and has a large number of friends who will welcome him to the city.

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MASQUERADE LEAP YEAR GIVEN BALL LAST EVENING.

One of the largest and most enjoyable of the dances of the holiday season was the leap year masquerade ball given by a number of the debutantes last evening in the ball room of the Masonic Temple. The dance was attended by about 75 couples and about 30 stags, the young men coming in costume and in carriages provided by the young ladies who called for them, as is the custom at leap year dances. The scene presented by the varied costumes in the brilliantly lighted ball room was a most beautiful and interesting one, as a tall Ku Klux, with the fiery cross emblazoned on his helmet and breast swept past the blue clad soldier, as jolly clowns walked arm in arm with black-clad priest, and solemn faced Arab exchanged salutes with a fierce pirate, adorned with red bandana headgear and bristling with knife, pistol and swords, while during the lull a stumpy little negro in patched trousers and flannel shirt shot crops on the polished floor.

Many were the surprises when the hour for unmasking came, and the many strange figures stepped into the dressing room for a moment and emerged clad in the immaculate black and white of the conventional evening dress.

The dance was a thoroughly enjoyable one and lasted until the wee sma' hours. Music was furnished by Hollowbush's orchestra. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Delano, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Gwaltney, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Metts.

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HERRING-BANNERMAN NUPTIALS AT BURGAW.

Burgaw, N. C., Jan. 1.—The crowning social feature of the holiday season in Burgaw was the beautiful marriage of Miss Katherine Louise Bannerman and Mr. David Franklin Herring, at the Presbyterian Church, on Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock. A large crowd of friends and relatives assembled to witness the impressive ceremony which made these popular young people man and wife. The church was tastefully decorated with ferns, smilax and potted plants.

To the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March skilfully rendered by Miss Crutchfield, of Marshville, N. C., the bridal party entered. First came the ushers, Messrs. David H. Bland, of Goldsboro, and George H. Highsmith; then the bridesmaids, Miss Fannie Sidbury, in blue messaline, and Miss Douglas Hand, in pink messaline, both carrying white carnations and maiden-hair ferns. The groomsmen in full evening dress were Messrs. John A. Bannerman, brother of the bride, and DeVane Murphy. Miss Jeannette Moore, cousin of the bride and maid of honor, was gowned in yellow messaline with trimmings of pearl passementerie, carrying white carnations. The groom entered with his best man, Mr. J. E. Williams, of Warsaw. The lovely bride, becomingly attired in white marchioness silk with pearl trimmings, veil, and orange blossoms, carrying a shower bouquet of bride's roses and lily of the valley, entered on the arm of her father, Mr. John R. Bannerman. The ceremony was performed by the bride's pastor, Rev. W. M. Sikes.

After congratulations and many good wishes from their hosts of friends, the happy couple boarded the northbound train for Washington, D. C., and other points. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Herring will make their home at Georgetown, S. C.

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NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION WAS A BRILLIANT EVENT

The New Year's reception of the Y. M. C. A. given in the beautifully decorated parlors of the Association last night, was without doubt one of the most brilliant and enjoyable events of the kind ever given there. The reception hall and all the other rooms were crowded during the entire evening with those who took advantage of the Association's hospitality. The Ladies' Auxiliary in their usual cordial manner made everybody feel very much at home and assisted by a number of fair maidens served delightful refreshments.

The musical programme, which was decidedly the feature of the evening, was under the splendid leadership of Miss Cannie Chasten, and the various selections were heard with much pleasure, as was attested by the number of times the different musicians were called back. The selections rendered by the chorus were exceptionally good, and the solos by Miss Gertrude Sneed were superbly given and loudly applauded, as were also the solos of Messrs. H. R. Bates and Frank E. McCravy, each being forced to respond to a number of encores. Mrs. J. D. Edwards again proved herself a master of the violin, and rendered delightfully two solos, which were highly enjoyed. Selections by the Acme Male Quartette added much to the enjoyment of all in attendance. The quartette is composed of Messrs. W. R. Dosher, Albert Dosher, W. A. McGirt and W. B. Muse. Throughout the evening St. Anderw's String Orchestra filled the room with sweet music, and each selection was roundly applauded. The quartette is composed of Miss Annabel Campbell, violin; Miss Isabel McDugal, violin; Miss Mary Belle King, mandolin; Miss Edna Lanier, mandolin; Mrs. Eustice Norfleet, pianist. The chorus was composed of the following: Mrs. J. D Edwards, Mrs. J. J. Loughlin, Miss Maud Bulluck, Mrs. F. A. Muse, Mrs. B. A. Merritt and Mrs. J. D. Smith; Mr. Greene Fenley, Mr. Chas. Dushan Mr. Frank McCravy, Mr. Cecil Butt, Mr. W. B. Muse, and Mr. Gilbert Foard.

Secretary J. B. Huntington and other officers of the Asnociation were present to greet and welcome the guests. Of the many New Year's Day receptions which have been held in the parlors of the Association none was more genuinely enjoyed than that last night. The Association officers hope that the next reception may be held in their new building.

PERSONAL. PARAGRAPHS.

—Prof. H. L. Leonard, of Kelly, N. C., was in the city yesterday.

—Among yesterday's arrivals in the city were Dr. H. B. Maxwell, of Whiteville; L. S. Christian and M. Jeffries, of Durham.

—Mr. J. A. Lanier, Jr., and Mr. J. B. Wilson, of Maple Hill, Pender county, are in the city for a day or two on a business trip.

—Messrs. C. M. Townsend, of Raynham, and Jackson Greer, Esq., of Whiteville, were among the visitors to the city yesterday for the "aviation that didn't aviate."

—Sunday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Bishop Robert Strange, of Wilmington, who was here in attendance at the meeting of the North Carolina Child Labor Committee, left for his home yesterday."

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c

LOCAL DOTS.

—William Greenberg, a young white boy, was arrested Sunday by police officers on a charge of the larceny of a quantity of astyptodyne from the manufacturing plant of the company.

—As yesterday, the first Monday of the month, was New Year's Day, the regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was postponed until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

—There will be prayer meeting this evening and every evening this week at 6:15 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church. This is in accordance with the programme of the Evangelical Alliance and similar meetings are being held all round the world this week.

—Probably because of the heavy strain which it has been subjected to during the past in hauling to the City Hall so many prisoners, the "Black Maria" of the police department collapsed yesterday morning at Front and Princess streets when it was starting out in answer to a call. It was carried to the blacksmith shop, where it will be repaired. Meanwhile, any offenders so unfortunate as to be arrested are made to walk to the police station.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE.

Salvation Army Distributed Gifts to Poor Children of City.

Complimentary to the poor children of the city, the Salvation Army yesterday afternoon gave a Christmas tree at its hall on Market street, and following a programme participated in by a number of children, under the direction of Adjutant Mataxas, the hearts of the little ones were gladdened by the gifts from the large and handsomely decorated tree. The gifts were of a useful nature and will be much appreciated by the children receiving them. The exercises were largely attended by the young folks and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent. The event was probably the happiest one of the holiday season to a large number of the children in attendance.

Mary Missed Her Mark.

Philip Alexander, an aged negro man, was hit in the head and rather painfully injured yesterday afternoon during the course of an affray between James Davis, and his better half, Mary Davis, colored. Alexander was in the house at the time and when the fight waxed hot Mary seized a stove cap and hove it at her lord with right good will. Being of the feminine gender, Mary, of course, missed her mark, and the piece of iron smote Alexander on the head. The man was carried to the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where it was ascertained that his wounds were not of a serious nature. James and Mary were given berth at the City Hall.

Makes a Bad Cough Vanish Quickly--or Money Back

The Quickest, Surest Cough Remedy You Ever Used. Family Supply for 50c. Saves You $2.

You have never used anything which takes hold of a bad cough and conquers it so quickly as Pinex Cough Syrup. Gives almost instant relief and usually stops the most obstinate, deep-seated cough in 24 hours. Guaranteed to give prompt and positive results even in croup and whooping cough.

Pinex is a special and highly concentrated compound of Norway White Pine extract, rich in guaiacol and other healing pine elements. A 50-cent bottle makes a pint—a family supply—of the best cough remedy that money can buy, at a saving of $2. Simply mix with homemade sugar syrup or strained honey, in a pint bottle, and it is ready for use. Easily prepared in 5 minutes—directions in package.

Children like Pinex Cough Syrup—it tastes good, and is a prompt, safe remedy for old or young. Stimulates the appetite and is slightly laxative—both good features. A handy household medicine for hoarseness, asthma, bronchitis, etc., and unusually effective for incipient lung troubles. Used in more homes in the U. S. and Canada than any other cough remedy.

Pinex has often been imitated, but never successfully, for nothing else will produce the same results. The genuine is guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money refunded. Certificate of guarantee is wrapped in each package. Your druggist has Pinex or will gladly get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

TO OUR FRIENDS

GREETINGS!—With Very Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

D. L. GORE COMPANY
WHOLESALE GROCERS, WILMINGTON, N. C.

P. S.—Come to the Aviation Meet New Year's Day. A Big Time assured.

While Attending the "Aviation Meet" on New Year's Day, call at

ATLANTIC INN

Elegant Rooms and Good Restaurant Service.

GIESCHEN BROS., Props.

Opposite Union Depot.

The Murchison National Bank

Capital and Surplus	$1,300,000
Deposits	3,500,000
Assets	6,000,000

H. C. McQUEEN, Pres. J. W. YATES, V.-Pres.
J. V. GRAINGER, V.-Pres. C. S. GRAINGER, Cash.

HALF-PRICE SALE

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

"THE STORE THAT'S ALWAYS BUSY"

We announce our First Cut in our Ready-to-Wear Department—Jan. 2nd to 6th.

Suits and Coats at Half Price

To close out the remainder of our Fall and Winter Suits, we will sell them at One Half the Marked Price. This sale is for One Week Only, and Alterations Will be Charged For, if Necessary. Terms: Cash.

$30.00 Ladies' Suits for	$15.00
$25.00 Ladies' Suits for	$12.50
$22.50 Ladies' Suits for	$11.25
$20.00 Ladies' Suits for	$10.00
$18.50 Ladies' Suits for	$ 9.25
$16.50 Ladies' Suits for	$ 8.25
$15.00 Ladies' Suits for	$ 7.50
$12.00 Ladies' Suits for	$ 6.00

LADIES' BLACK AND POLO COATS AT ONE-HALF PRICE

Ladies' Black Cloth Coats, Marked $30.00, now	$15.00
Ladies' Black Cloth Coats, Marked $25.00, now	$12.50
Ladies' Black and Polo Coats, Marked $20.00, $18.00 and $15.00, for	$10.00, $9.00, $7.50

FAIR ASSORTMENT LEFT.

Millinery at Half Price

During This Week we will also close out the balance of our Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed, at One Half the Regular Price.

SPECIAL PRICES ON ART SQUARES, RUGS, CARPETS AND MATTINGS THIS WEEK.

The C. W. POLVOGT CO.

ANNUAL BUSINESS REVIEW

Some of the Things Accomplished in 1911 and What Future Holds in Prospect, According to Henry Clews

(Special Star Correspondence.)

New York, January 2.—As we enter the threshold of a new year it is appropriate that we glance at a few of the principal items in the National ledger for the year just left behind. Here are some of the things accomplished in 1911, compared with 1910:

	1911.	1910.
Bank Clearings—	$150,100,000,000	$162,879,000,000
Agricultural Products—	8,417,000,000	8,694,000,000
* Exports—	1,867,000,000	1,367,000,000
* Imports—	1,392,000,000	1,420,000,000
! R. R. Earnings, gross—	2,295,000,000	2,280,000,000
! R. R. Earnings, net—	675,000,000	695,000,000
New Security Issues—	1,630,000,000	1,518,000,000

* Eleven months, ending Nov. 30th.
! Ten months, ending Oct. 30th.

These figures prove that there was a moderate recession in business during 1911. Because of lower prices in many directions the shrinkage appears greater than it actually was when measured by quantities. There was much more complaint about the reduction of profits than about any reduction in the volume of business. Happily our farming classes are enjoying another year of prosperity, except when pulling out of debt. Our crops, if not quite equal to the previous year, were still above the average in money yield, even in the case of cotton. Our industrial classes have not fared quite so well. The steel trade suffered more than any other industry, production falling as low as 45 per cent. of capacity, and not rising beyond 80 per cent. In the year just closed our production of pig iron was only 22,800,000 tons, compared with 27,300,000 tons in 1910. Next to steel the cotton industry suffered the keenest depression owing to a high-priced cotton and lessened consumption. Both the steel and cotton industries showed pronounced recuperative tendencies in November and December, a change largely the result of a forced re-adjustment of prices to meet the market. In other lines of trade and industry the volume of business was about normal. There were few signs of overproduction, although in many cases consumption was checked by an evident exhaustion of public buying power.

Business Conditions

Business men have been contending throughout 1911 more successfully than is generally recognized against adverse conditions. The year opened under a cloud of uncertainty, which continued in one form or another without interruption until the close. First came the action of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, refusing permission to the railroads to advance rates as compensation for increased operating expenses. Dire things were predicted if the advance was refused. It was refused and nothing happened, except that the railroads promptly and wisely met the situation by curtailing expenses. No dividends were reduced in consequence, in fact some dividends were increased, and this in spite of recognized slackness in trade. Railroad earnings were surprisingly well maintained. After uncertainty about the action of the Inter-State Commerce Commission had subsided then doubt about the Oil and Tobacco cases became acute, and lasted for many weeks. The financial public really appeared anxious to have something to worry about. As in the celebration Northern Securities decision, the final pronouncement of the Supreme Court in the Oil and Tobacco cases did not have the ruinous effect expected. Still another element of doubt was the Mexican difficulty, which finally passed off without harm. Then came the extra session of Congress, with its disturbing efforts to legislate beyond the tariff—the scope for which it was called—It succeeded, however, in passing the reciprocity bill with Canada. The failure of that country to respond favorably was a disappointment. Finally came the Moroccan dispute. This proved the most acute and serious of an drawbacks inasmuch as it involved grave strain in Berlin money market, which was forced to procure liberal assistance from New York. In consequence we were lending large sums to Europe at a time when we are usually borrowers, thus illustrating in a striking degree the financial strength and soundness of the United States. Among other hindrances against the stock market which operated through out the year were those of a strictly political character. The Presidential campaign began almost a year in advance, the trust and tariff problems being the most serious sources of anxiety. All in all it has been a year of many perplexities. The nerves of the financial district have been severely strained, but so far without impairment. There is really, in some respects, more confidence at the close of the year than at the opening, and if anything is needed for a complete restoration it is absolute rest from the harrying and inquisitorial attitude which Congress has seen fit to adopt toward business for the purpose of pleasing constituents at home.

Political and Social Unrest

There is one influence affecting business that should not be overlooked, and that is the general social unrest. It may or may not become a seriously disturbing influence, but it is sure to be a vital force in new legislation for some time to come. The social uplift which is now going on is not a movement to be ignored. Those at the bottom of the social ladder are fighting for a better chance, and they are going to have it, as they rightfully should. Their determination to secure a larger share of the general output has been immensely stimulated by the phenomenal growth of unwieldly fortunes in this country, not to speak of the often vulgar and ostentatious display of wealth which has naturally created undesirable class antagonism. The swollen fortunes, it is thoroughly appreciated, have only been made possible through past misgovernment and legislative privileges in one form or another. Such privileges have fostered monopoly, and an inordinate concentration of capital. The discontent bred from such conditions has ben materially aggravated by the congestion of population in our great cities, and the radical tendencies of foreign population, which either can not or will not take itself to the farm or the smaller city, where there is a better demand for unskilled labor than in our great cities. The various abuses arising from these conditions have created a strong and disturbing sentiment against capital, especially in the form of great corporations. This is shown by the overwhelming public support given the Sherman law, and the popular approval of recent governmental efforts to regulate corporate affairs. This determination to regulate business more freely means that the country must be prepared for a widening of government activities in business affairs, whether on municipal, State or national lines. It is to be hoped that this tendency will be intelligently guided and kept within the limits of moderation. Government ownership is un-American and destructive of both national and individual liberty and progress. Wise regulation may solve many of the problems of the day, and our financial and industrial leaders will do well to set themselves in harmony with and not against the popular will. This will be good business quite as much as good politics. The Inter-State Commerce Commission and many of our public service commissions have already proved their usefulness as a means of protection not only to the public but also to corporations and investors.

Of late there has been a decided tendency to curtail legislative privileges. The check imposed upon monopoly by the Sherman law and the proposed curtailment of excessive protection by a reduction of the tariff are first steps in this direction. It is quite certain that privileges of this character will hereafter be very difficult, if not impossible, to secure. The trust movement has reached its zenith, and monopoly must hereafter choose between facing competition or rigid governmental regulation. After a little experience with the latter, it will probably prefer the former.

What the final outcome of present tendencies will be cannot be foretold. Great changes have taken place in the past twenty years, during which our industrial system has been completely revolutionized. The large corporation is here to stay. So, too, is its counterpart, the union. Both have misused, nay, grossly abused their great power to the public detriment. Both have too many points of excellence and vitality to be eliminated. Both should be obliged to obey the law and submit to more rigid control. Already capital has been obliged to surrender its monopoly power, and labor unions, too, will eventually be obliged to bow to public opinion and give to others the same liberty of action that they claim for themselves. The days of monopoly profits and brutal competition are coming to an end. So also, let us hope, is the exercise of violence by labor. Public opinion will no longer tolerate either, and the corporation or the union which has demands to make will be obliged to prove their necessity and justice and keep them in accord with sane and sound public opinion.

As a check of discontent arising from monopolistic tendencies nothing has been more reassuring than the decision of the Supreme Court in the Oil and Tobacco cases. These were not unduly drastic opinions and neither destroyed property nor impaired vested rights. They simply curbed monopolistic plans, put an end to exorbitant monopoly profits, gave others a better chance to compete and obliged combinations of a monopolistic character to dissolve as far as practicable into their original parts. Of course, such a pronounced change of methods in our business system was a marked check. Such an arrest of brilliant schemes was confounding, and there is still more or less uncertainty about the conduct of business, which must be endured until the law or the courts have clearly demonstrated what monopoly is, what constitutes reasonable or unreasonable restraints of trade and what is fair or unfair competition. These are problems that must be patiently and intelligently worked out. It is impossible for the law to define what is reasonable or unreasonable in restraint of trade, because of constantly varying conditions. It is perfectly plain that thus far big business has been more frightened and displeased than hurt. Dreams of industrial empire have suddenly collapsed, and the consequent disappointment can be easily understood. Big business, however, is not doomed to go.

Foreign Commerce

One of the healthiest symptoms in the whole business fabric is the return of our foreign trade to normal conditions. For the calendar year our foreign trade aggregates about $3,500,000,000, an increase of more than $171,000,000 over last year. This is highly encouraging and shows that natural remedial forces are energetically at work. Our exports were the largest on record, while our imports, which were also record-breaking, will fall only slightly below 1910. Details for the twelve months just ended are, of course, not available, but figures for the eleven months ending November 30th clearly show the trend. During this period our exports ran $231,000,000 ahead of the same time last year, while our imports fell $34,000,000 behind. The expansion of exports and contraction of imports left us with an excess of exports amounting to $475,000,000 during the eleven months specified, compared with $211,000,000 at the same time last year and $219,000,000 the year before. In all probability the excess of exports in 1911 has been only once surpassed, and that in 1908, when the excess ran as high as $710,000,000. In exports the increase for the year was well distributed among the great divisions. Cotton, our chief article of export, showed a large gain in values. The most suggestive feature, however, in the export line was the shipments of iron and steel manufactures, which in the first ten months reached the surprising sum of over $200,000,000, as against $164,000,000 the preceding year. Great Britain's steel exports were about $350,000,000 during the ten months, so that we are gradually overtaking our chief rival in the foreign trade, which offers an unlimited field for American enterprise. This country already leads as an iron and steel producer. Before long it will also lead as an iron exporter, sweeping away entirely the pre-eminence which Great Britain and Germany have so long held in this field.

Automobiles

The automobile must be taken into consideration as a business factor. It is estimated that there are about 500,000 automobiles in the United States. If these cost about $1,000 apiece this would mean an outlay of about $500,000,000. The automobile industry has already assumed a position of first importance, giving profitable employment to a very large number of people directly and indirectly. But the automobile is generally an unproductive machine and chiefly a source of amusement, the autotruck not yet come into common use. The most important thing about the automobile is the cost of running. It is safe to assume that the average cost of running a car, including repairs, depreciation, chauffeurs, special clothing, entertainment, etc., is not less than $1,000 per year. This means that the people of the United States are spending approximately $500,000,000 a year in one form of amusement alone. With many individuals or heads of families the increase in their expenses due to running of an automobile has not been in proportion to their increase of income. In many cases automobiles are compelling owners who had previously saved money to spend up to the limits if not over their income. Many owners, as is well known, have borrowed heavily to invest in an auto-car. The net result is that owners of automobiles as a class have necessarily spent less in other directions, and have saved much less than they would otherwise have done. In either case the effect is more or less detrimental to other lines of trade. The impairment of savings is perhaps the most serious factor, since the new supply of capital comes only from savings. And if these be restricted it follows that capital for developing new enterprises is not growing so fast as it otherwise would. This is an element of some consequence in the investment situation. Of course, these remarks do not apply to those abundantly able to own automobiles, and of this class there is a surprisingly large number in the United States. After all has been said the automobile fills a useful and important place in our social and economic makeup. It has enormous advantages as an instrument of transit and healthful pleasure. The objections against it are only those of extravagance or individual ability.

As to the Future

A few words as to the future. From the economic standpoint the outlook is slightly better than a year ago. Trade conditions are sound. Liquidation has been thorough. There is little or no overproduction. Stocks of merchandise are generally light. Credit is sound. Commodity prices are still high but often declining. Labor is generally well employed and getting good wages. These are favorable factors. The unfavorable are the unrest of labor and the prospect of fresh strikes next year, especially in the coal trade. From the political standpoint the outlook is far from encouraging. This is a Presidential year. As already shown there is much social and political unrest. Radical tendencies are running strong, and while parties are maneuvering for public favor all sorts of erratic and threatening proposals are imminent. Undoubtedly there will be more talk than action. Under such conditions capital is necessarily timid and new enterprise will be checked until the final outcome can be fairly guessed. We thus have a conflict between favorable economic conditions and unfavorable political conditions. In the end economic will prevail, but in the interim the political may rule, which means a cautious but hopeful policy for 1912. These opinions are based on the asumption of international peace, though it must be admitted the foreign situation contains seeds of trouble, and the unexpected may happen—witness the narrow escape from a collision between England and Germany last Summer.

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Schooners.

Wm. Thomas Moore, 261 tons, Jones, C. D. Mafitt.

Eliza A. Scribner, 350 tons, Dodd, C. D. Mafitt.

Mineola (Br.), 270 tons, Forsythe, C. D. Mafitt.

Sylvia C. Hall, 285 tons, Sprague, C. D. Mafitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Mafitt; in distress.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 1.

No Market—Holiday.

Petersburg Peanut Market.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 30.—Spanish—Small Spanish, firm, at 80c. per bushel. Jumbo Spanish, 70c. per bushel. No. 1, Spanish, Shelled, 5c. per lb. No. 2, Spanish, Shelled, 3¾c. per lb. Virginias—Jumbo, 4c. to 4¼c. per lb. Fancy Hand-Picked, 3¾c. per lb. Extra Prime, 3½c. to 3¾c. per lb. Prime, 3¼c. per lb. Machine Picked, 3c. to 3½c. per lb.

GOVERNOR FOSS ENDORSED.

State Convention Thinks Well of Him for the Presidency.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 1.—A resolution endorsing Governor Eugene N. Foss for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency of the United States, and endorsing his administration, was adopted by the Democratic State convention at its annual meeting today.

A Girl's Wild Midnight Ride.

To warn people of a fearful forest fire in the Catskills a young girl rode horseback at midnight and saved many lives. Her deed was glorious but lives are often saved by Dr. King's New Discovery in curing lung trouble, coughs and colds, which might have ended in consumption or pneumonia. "It cured me of a fearful cough and lung disease," writes W. R. Patterson, Wellington, Tex., "after four in our family had died with consumption, and I gained 87 pounds." Nothing so sure and safe for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

'The American Insurrecto"

A story of the recent Mexican revolution, in motion pictures at The Grand Theatre today. **

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

January 2, 1912.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 56 degrees; at 8 P. M., 48 degrees; maximum, 56 degrees; minimum, 48 degrees; mean, 52 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .10 inch; for the month, .10 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 9.8 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Cloudy; not much change in temperature Tuesday and Wednesday; moderate north and northeast winds.

Port Calendar—Jan. 3.

Sun rises	7:18 A. M.
Sun sets	5:14 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 56 min.
High water at Southport	3:50 A. M.
High water at Wilmington	6:30 A. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

January 1, 1912.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest Today	Temperature Lowest Last Night.	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	cloudy	52	28	.0
Asheville	pt cldy	38	28	.0
Atlanta	cloudy	50	32	.0
Augusta	cloudy	48	46	.0
Birmingham	cloudy	48	32	.0
Boston	clear	38	24	.02
Charlotte	cloudy	44	44	.0
Chicago	clear	16	8	.0
Galveston	raining	52	42	.08
Jacksonville	raining	58	56	.68
Memphis	cloudy	40	26	.0
Mobile	cloudy	48	44	.0
Montgomery	cloudy	44	40	.0
New Orleans	cloudy	48	46	.0
New York	clear	38	32	.0
Palestine	cloudy	56	50	.0
Oklahoma	cloudy	36	22	.0
Pittsburg	clear	28	20	.0
Raleigh	cloudy	46	46	.0
Savannah	cloudy	52	48	.26
Shreveport	pt cldy	48	32	.0
St. Louis	cloudy	32	14	.0
Washington	clear	38	38	.0

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 30.

The North Carolina peanut market was excited and prices reached the highest point of the season. There is every indication of prices going still higher, if the present demand continues.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.40; machine-picked, $1.35.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, 95c.; machine-picked, 90c.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

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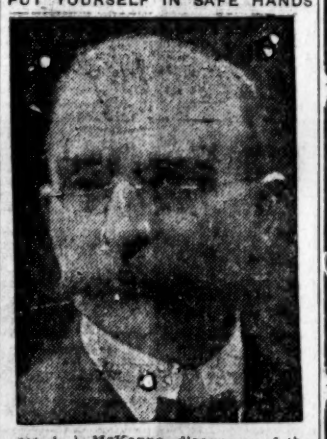

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To satisfy a debt due me by A. W. Graham, I will sell at public auction at Court House door on January 5th, 1912, 12 o'clock, five shares N. C. R. R. Co. stock.

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We have had the Best Trade that we have ever had in the history of our store. But looking over the store, we see piles and piles of dry goods, clothing and shoes, toys and millinery which makes me feel that my eyes are bigger than my pocket-book. I want to sell these goods, and will have a special Cut Price Sale before we take stock.

We have a beautiful assortment of Ladies' Tailor-Made Coat Suits. We bought them cheap and have been selling them cheaper than any one else. To move these Suits, we will now allow a discount of 25% on Every Suit, which is one fourth off the price.

To make it more attractive, we will also offer 25% off of everything that we have in Furs. In Toys we have everything, and on this line we will offer 25% Discount off on all—big and little.

We have about Three Hundred Silk and Velvet Turban Hats for Ladies that we will allow you 25% Discount on. An especially low price on Ladies' and Children's Flannelette Underwear. We will sell a full-sized, double-stitched nice Gown for 50c.

A BIG REDUCTION IN LADIES' SWEATERS AND MUFFLERS—One-fourth off the price. A nice line of Ladies' Felt and Cloth Hoods as low as 48c. each; nice quality. Hats that have been selling for $1.50. One yard wide Black Taffeta Silk—a good quality for 75c. per yard. 500 doz. Men's Socks that are extra good, for 10c., and we will sell them for 7c. a pair.

In Ladies' and Children's Knit Underwear we have a full assortment of sizes and styles and prices. We try to sell the best thing possible for the money.

In Children's Vests and Pants we have the small sizes that retail usually for 25c. that we will sell for 10c. now. We have a big lot of Vests and Pants that we will sell for 19c. each, that are cheap at 25c. A lot of Odds and Ends in Underwear, all styles and prices, that we will sell for 10c. each.

In Children's Bearskin Hats and Caps we have a few nice ones to close out at a low price; will give you one-third off. Come to see us for everything that you need in the Dry Goods line, and get your book filled out with stamps. We give premiums with all purchases.

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MONDAY AT LUMBERTON

Busy in Court House Circles---Rev. Mr. Durham to Remain—Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., January 1.—This has been a busy day in Court House circles, the different county boards being in session. There was, however, a small crowd in town when the fact is considered that it was the first Monday in the New Year.

Dr. R. F. Graham has sold his dental office to Dr. D. D. King, who has for some time been located in Red Springs. Dr. King and Dr. R. T. Allen, for several years a popular Lumberton dentist, have formed a copartnership and will be located in the rooms on the second floor of the Bank of Lumberton building occupied by Dr. Graham and the one recently occupied by Mr. J. A. Barker, now located in Wilmington. Drs. Allen and King have leased these rooms for a term of years.

Miss Irene McLeod entertained quite a number of friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. McLeod tonight, the occasion being one of much pleasure.

The little two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Barnes is sick of diphtheria, the disease having developed last night.

A Salvation Army band arrived in town Saturday to remain several days. The band is composed of two or three ladies and the same number of gentlemen. They are giving street concerts and are drawing large crowds. The band participated in the watch-night service held at the Gospel Tabernacle last night.

The postoffice and banks have been closed all day but all other places of business were open as usual——The Robeson Rural Letter Carriers' Association held its annual meeting here today.

Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the Baptist Church who recently received a call to the Statesville church, has declined and will remain in Lumberton, much to the delight of this entire community.

POLICEMAN KILLED.

W. A. Patterson Killed by Jay Smith in Alabama City.

Gadsden, Ala., Jan. 1.—Policeman W. A. Patterson was killed, and F. R. Walker, a by-stander, was wounded in the leg in a shooting affray on a street at Alabama City, near here tonight. Jay Smith, white, was arrested and placed in the county jail pending an investigation. Smith was arrested by Patterson today on a trivial charge and made bond. It is alleged that Smith was standing in front of a drug store tonight when Patterson approached, and that immediately reports of the firing of several shots were heard, after which Patterson was found dead and Walker wounded.

CONLEY KNOCKED OUT.

Joe Rivers, of Los Angeles, Victorious in Eleventh Round.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 1.—Joe Rivers, of Los Angeles, knocked out Frankie Conley, of Kenosha, Wis., today, in the eleventh round, in their scheduled 20-round fight at Vernon.

At no time did Conley have a chance to win, and only once, in the first round, when he put a stiff left to Rivers' jaw, as the latter was backing away, and sent him to the floor, did he land a blow that seriously interfered with Rivers.

It was one of the fastest fights between featherweights ever seen in the Vernon ring.

ANTI-HARMON MOVEMENT

Meeting to Express Disapproval of His Candidacy

Columbus, Ohio, January 1.—While anti-Harmon Democrats of Ohio are scheduled to hold a meeting in this city tomorrow to express their disapproval of the Presidential candidacy of Governor Harmon, none of the out-of-town leaders whose names had been mentioned in connection with the movement had arrived in Columbus up to late tonight.

Former Congressman John J. Lentz declared that inasmuch as the meeting would not be held till 2 o'clock P. M. no advance guard from out of the State was expected tonight.

SKULL FRACTURED.

Ensign Ridgley Fell From Horizontal Bar on Torpedo Boat.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 1.—While performing on a horizontal bar on torpedo boat Smith, at the Norfolk navy yard today, Ensign H. C. Ridgley fell to the steel deck and sustained a fracture of the skull.

At the naval hospital tonight it was stated that Ensign Ridgley has but one chance in a hundred to recover. His skull is fractured at the base of the brain. Ensign Ridgley's home is in Chicago.

London, January 1.—A special dispatch received here from Odessa, says that the efforts of Zemstvo there to organize a boycott of American goods is meeting with small success, owing to the popularity of American machinery.

—Messrs. I. E. Belch and Wallace Norment, of Lumberton, spent yesterday in Wilmington.

—Mr. E. C. Nye, of Orrum, spent yesterday in the city.

Frightful Polar Winds

blow with terrific force at the far north and play havoc with the skin, causing red, rough or sore chapped hands and lips, that need Bucklen's Arnica Salve to heal them. It makes the skin soft and smooth. Unrivalled for cold-sores, also burns, boils, sores, ulcers, cuts, bruises and piles. Only 25 cents at R. R. Bellamy.

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Wanted—Salesmen.
Wanted—Salesmen.
Wanted—Position.
Strayed—Poodle Dog.
Leger Meyer—Tailoring.
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C. H. Loper—Business Opportunity.

FROM ROSE HILL.

Visitors for the Aviation Meet—Christmas Incidents and Pleasures.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rose Hill, N. C., Jan. 1.—Quite a number of our citizens are in the city by the sea today and are supposed to be witnesisng the horse races, air ship flights and shows. They left on the early morning train, anxious to get out of town and mix up with city folk and all that sort of thing. One of our bachelors went down with full intentions of purchasing an airship, as automobiles are not quick enough for the pace that he likes to trot.

In the midst of the Christmas excitement one of our "curiously inclined" heard a noise in his kitchen and securing a lamp went forth to kill or conquer whatever might be found.

Neighbors soon heard his loud cries and, upon reaching his home, found him backed up in one corner of his kitchen, pistol in hand, while a large 'possum "stood him still" nearby. They all managed to capture Brer 'Possum, and he was eaten next day by those engaged in the battle.

People are getting down to business once more in these parts, and even the trains are coming nearer to schedule time. Many visitors have been among us of late, and many from here have gone elsewhere to spend a while. All in all, it has been a dull Christmas in Duplin. Pistol toters have about disappeared and this shows a wonderful moral improvement and that law and order prevail in every nook and corner of the county. The mills are running again and the sound of the saw is heard gladly after several days of quiet about town.

Col. E. D. Pearsall writes interestingly of the deer hunts down in old Pender. He knows all of the good stands in the county, but we have never heard of him killing a deer or anything else in this world. He is a clever, old-time gentleman, and all that he says is taken in the spirit it is given. Being a native of Duplin, and belonging to one of our best families, the colonel can't be otherwise than good.

Dell School, near here, has opened again after the holiday season. Our streets were alive with students returning there this morning, after spending Christmas at their homes. They were under the safe and gentle wings of Prof. Walter L. Beach, the active and wide-awake manager and co-principal.

Miss Ella Quinn was married last Wednesday to Mr. William Pickett, of Kenansville. They left on their bridal tour of several days in other States.

A negro man was killed near Wallace on Saturday night before Christmas, an dthe murderer is still at large. He was said to have had $20 in his pocket before leaving Wallace and the supposition is that he was killed for the money. The coroner held an inquest and examined quite a number of witnesses, but no clue has yet come to light to point to the apprehension of any person as perpetrator of the crime.

This will be a good roads year for Duplin county, as seveal townships will push the work with the money made available by the issue of bonds last year. This township expects to start out at an early date.

The infant child of Rev. and Mrs. Y. E. Wright died here last Friday, and was buried at Scott's Hill on Saturday.

A prosperous year to The Star and its entire family of brilliant ones now engaged in giving the State one of her best newspapers.

ARE NOT WORRYING

Indicted Labor Leaders Spent Sunday Sight-Seeing

Los Angeles, January 1.—Although scheduled to appear in the United States Court here tomorrow to answer to the charge of having been parties to a nation-wide dynamite conspiracy, three of the four labor leaders indicted Saturday by the Federal grand jury spent New Year's Day in sight-seeing. The fourth, E. A. Clancey, of San Francisco, is reported still ill. Olaf A. Tveitmoe, of San Francisco, secretary and treasurer of the California Building Trades Council, passed the day on a trolley trip with several labor leaders. Anton Johnannesen, organizer of the same organization, and J. E. Munsey, secretary of the Iron Workers' Union at Salt Lake City, conferred with the attorney, Job Harriman, and with other labor leaders.

E. J. Hendricks, president of the Los Angeles Building Trades Council, who expected to be called to testify before the grand jury tomorrow, used the short and ugly word in discussing Clancey's confession.

ESCAPED FROM PENITENTIARY.

Became a Leading Citizen and Pardoned After Many Years.

Mayesville, Mo., Jan. 1.—W. L. Hurst, of Hurst, Texas, whose son, Nathan Hurst, escaped from the Texas penitentiary 28 years ago, and who has since become a leading and wealthy citizen of this place, arrived here today, bringing a pardon from Governor Colquitt. When a youth, the son had been sentenced to a term of 17 years for horse theft, but made his escape.

Before coming here Hurst changed his name to William B. Hammond, and under this name was married twice and has reared a family. It was not until last week when the pardon was issued at the request of the elder Hurst that the family and friends of Hammond knew of his youthful escapade.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 1.—R. Paul Dunlap, 23 years old, an artist and athlete, was arrested today while at dinner with relatives, and later confessed to the police that he stole jewelry valued at $5,000 from the store of John Huetter, in Cleveland, Thanksgiving Day. Sixteen rings were tied to his under garments.

The Southern National Bank

Thanks its Friends and Customers for their kindness during the year 1911, and wishes for them a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

COLUMBUS COUNTY NEWS

Live Personals and Other Items from Whiteville

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., January 1.—On Tuesday evening the Woodmen of the World will give an oyster stew at their hall in the Thompson building. The new officers for 1912 will also be installed on this occasion and the affair is being looked forward to with pleasure. The Woodmen are especially nice to the ladies at all of their entertainments in Whiteville, and a large number have been invited to enjoy this evening with them.

The teachers in the Whiteville High School will return today from their respective homes, and are ready for the opening of school tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Powell announce the birth of a daughter on Sunday, December 31st——Mrs. J. E. Sims, who has been spending several months with her daughter, Mrs. S. E. Memory, will return tomorrow to her home in Atlanta.

Mrs. E. M. Toon and Miss Margaret High, who have been visiting in Scotts Hill, have returned to Whiteville——Mrs. Sarah burkhead is in Wilmington for a week——Mr. Arch Toon has returned to his home in Savannah, Ga., after a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Toon——Mr. and Mrs. John Maultsby returned yesterday to Campbell, Fla., after a pleasant visit to the nome of Capt. J. D. Maultsby——Miss Jessie Smith is in Wilymington the guest of her brother, Mr. Felix Smith——Miss Lucy Powell left today for a visit to Miss Mattie Lou Anderson in Fayetteville——Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Memory, who have been visiting Mrs. Memory's parents in Wilmington, will return home today.

The County Commissioners are in session today for the transaction of routine business. The New Year is being observed only by the throwing of the 1912 calendar. The banks and stores are open and a large crowd in town——Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wishart, of Lumberton, are the guests of Mrs. D. J. MacRackan.

MRS. A. J. BETHUNE DEAD

Passed Away Yesterday at Her Home at Aberdeen, N. C.—Funeral

(Special Star Telegram.)

Aberdeen, N. C., January 1.—Mrs Andrew J. Bethune died at her home here at 8 o'clock tonight after a lingering illness. She was aged 67 years on last Christmas Day. She was a daughter of the late Malcolm Blue, of Moore county, and a consecrated member of the Presbyterian church from which her funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. She was a woman of rare intellect, although retiring in disposition and a most amiable wife and mother and devout Christian. Surviving her are her husband, A. J. Bethune, of Aberdeen, and the following sons: L. A. Bethune, of Clinton, N. C.; M. J. Bethune, of Bond, Miss.; T. J. Bethune, of Sour Lake, Texas; W. F. Bethune, of Bond, Miss., and C. E. Bethune, of Belfast, Ga., and one daughter, Mrs W. H. Huntsberger of Gulfport, Miss

HISTORIC ISLANDS SOLD.

Retreat of Capt. John Smith Sold to New Yorker.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Smith's and Myrite islands, opposite Cape Charles, which tradition marks as one of the retreats of Captain John Smith, after a lapse of 150 years or more, has passed out of the ownership of the famous Lee family, of Virginia, into the hands of Oliver S. Campbell, of New York.

The islands comprise about 4,000 acres and were formerly included in the large estates of General John Custis and General Robert E. Lee. The islands were a part of the grant made to one John Neale, about 1636.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Ernest Kockler today won the 22nd annual Bullman bicycle road race in a sprint from Louis Kurl. Kockler's time for the 11 miles was 36 minutes. In this race the old high-wheel bicycle was used.

$100 Per Plate

was paid at a banquet to Henry Clay, in New Orleans in 1842. Mighty costly for those with stomach trouble or indigestion. Today people everywhere use Dr. King's New Life Pills for these troubles as well as liver, kidney and bowel disorders. Easy, safe, sure. Only 25 cts. at R. R. Bellamy.

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Not only should teachers read the papers, but pupils should be caused to do so. In the case of the children little persuasion is needed. They are so eager to learn that they read every paper they get their hands on.

MANY SCHOOLS HAVE CLASSES IN CURRENT EVENTS. The pupils are required to tell or write the chief happenings of the day. It is an invaluable training.

EVERY teacher should TAKE this paper.

PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

This is to advise our friends and customers that effective January 1st, 1912, MR. H. L. HUNT was admitted to partnership in the wholesale grocery business, for over 20 years conducted here by the undersigned.

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Rock Hill, S. C., Jan. 1.—G. A. Stoltz, a native of this county, but recently of Garland, Texas, was killed this afternoon in a runaway accident. He is survived by his mother, who resides here, and a son and daughter at his Texas home.

London, Jan. 1.—Frank Moran, a heavyweight pugilist, of Pittsburg, tonight won over Fred Storbeck, the exheavyweight champion of South Africa in the seventh round. Storbeck was disqualified for fouling.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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TAILORING—Gentlemen, see my line of Fall and Winter Suitings before you buy; popular prices. Leger Meyer, Merchant Tailor, 109 Princess street, 2nd floor, Princess Building. ja2-6t

WANTED—Position in wholesale dry goods or grocery store. Some experience; good references. Will deposit with employer $200 on interest. P. S. Hawes, Funston, N. C. ja2-3t

WANTED—At once, shipping clerk; married man preferred. Apply in own handwriting, Box 929, City. ja2-2t

WANTED—Salesman for high grade line Ciders and Vinegars. Exclusive or as side line. Liberal commissions with weekly settlements. Fine opening for good man. References required. Atlantic Vinegar Co., Richmond, Va. ja2-3t*

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WANTED—Bookkeeper with some experience. Apply in own handwriting; give reference and state salary expected. Address A. B. M., care Star. de31-2t

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ONE "NEEDHAM" CHAPEL ORGAN in first class condition for sale. $20; worth $45. A genuine bargain. 114 So. 2nd street. de31,ja3-2t*

WANTED—Stenographer for general office; male preferred. Address, stating experience and salary expected, "F. W. A." care Star office. de30-3t

WANTED—Agent to sell our teas, coffees, spices, extracts, baking powder and soaps on commission. Liberal commission to agents and special inducements to customers. Apply to Grand Union Tea Co., Norfolk, Va. de31-3t*

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NOTICE—If you want to make your wife or husband smile Xmas morning, stop by D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co.'s, No. 130 Market street, and buy a present that will please any wife or husband. D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co., J. B. Griffith, Mgr. de15-tf

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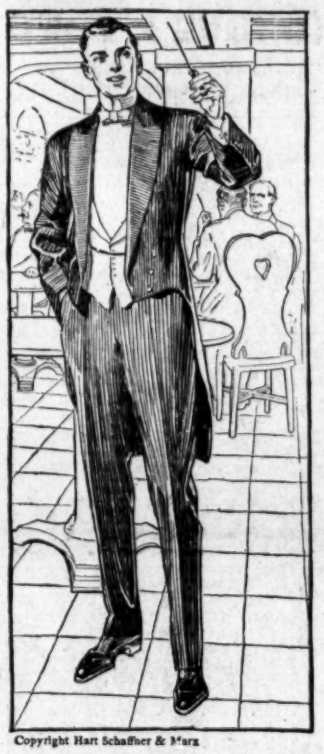

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We Thank You

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100 Boxes Raisins.
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75 Barrels Apples.
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